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Patterson Lauds 45th Infantry, 82nd Airborne

New Troops Fought Like Vets, He Says

WASHINGTON—Under fire for the first time, the 45th Infantry Division and the 82nd Airborne Division fought like seasoned veterans, Acting Secretary of War Patterson said Thursday. Their conduct, he said, was a tribute to their training.

He said the War Department is extremely pleased with the performance of the Seventh Army in Sicily, only the First Division of which had previous extensive experience.

The Third Infantry Division and the Second Armored Division, he said, were under fire for a short time in North Africa.

Patterson "Elated"

Patterson was elated at the progress of the Seventh Army, reporting that over one-half of the island has been occupied, more than 40,000 prisoners have been taken by the Allies, including four generals commanding divisions.

"Resistance is collapsing rapidly. Our casualties have been light, being only a small fraction of the number of enemy prisoners taken," Patterson said.

He estimated Allied air superiority at about 10 to 1. "The enemy has only two or three fields left. We are flying combat planes from several fields in southern Sicily." He added that the Sicilians are cooperating with the new military government, which "may provide the pattern for future governments in occupied territories."

Particular praise was given in news dispatches from Sicily to the 45th Division which had a baptism of fire in the fighting of the landings on the island, and which kept pace with the more experienced divisions in attaining their objectives on schedule. The 45th was commanded by Maj. Gen. Troy H. Middleton.

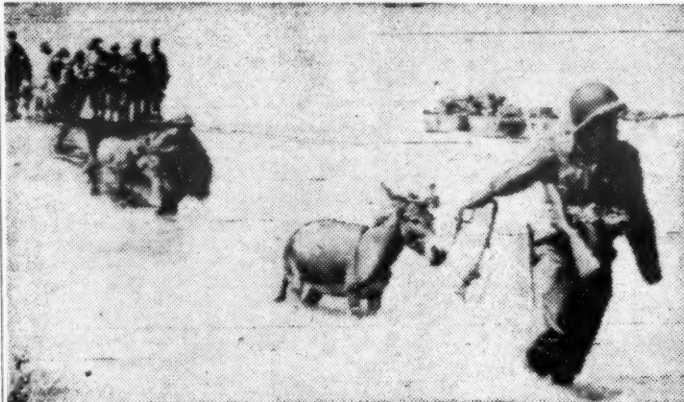
Hottest Assignments

The First Division, under the command of Maj. Gen. Terry Allen, which had carried the spearhead of the Allied thrust into Gafsa and Bizerte, tackled the beaches at Gala with Rangers in the vanguard and had perhaps the hottest assignment of any American troops in the invasion, since they were up against the crack Herman Goering division. They showed, however, that they were better than the Nazis.

The 3rd Infantry Division, under Maj. Gen. Lucian Truscott, got its first taste of fighting alongside the Second Armored Division in the Casablanca operations last winter. It also helped in the mopping up operations around Matour. It was formerly commanded by General Eisenhower, who gave it a special inspection before it embarked for Sicily and told the men he would soon be with them on the new battlefield.

Broke Resistances

The 2nd Armored Division, commanded by Maj. Gen. Hugh Gaffey, had a part in the Casablanca landings in November, but afterward had been in the training areas of the Fifth Army until it was shipped



TROOPS, landing on the beach at Sicily, brought along some of our reluctant four footed friends—Army pack mules.

Signal Corps Radiophoto

across to furnish the steel fist to break up the resistance in the interior Sicilian highlands.

The 82nd Airborne Division was commanded by Maj. Gen. Matthew Ridgway. Coming from several months of intensive training at a secret airfield in North Africa

where the objectives and the surrounding terrain were carefully studied, the men swept down on the airfields and other territory from transport planes and gliders some time before the other troops had landed and were successful in taking most of their objectives.



THE MAN who led the Second United States Corps to victory in Tunisia and is now doing the same with the new 7th Army in Sicily is Lt. Gen. George Smith Patton. And he looks like his affectionate nickname, "Old Blood and Guts."

—Army Photo

Cooks and Bakers School Opens at Camp Upton

CAMP UPTON, N. Y.—Col. John W. Donner, post commander, announced today that a new Cooks and Bakers school had opened for business at Camp Upton, and will train soldier students from the Second Service Command—New York, New Jersey and Delaware—in the gentle art of feeding soldiers well.

Promotions Fewer as Army Reaches Its Officer Quota

WASHINGTON—As the Army rapidly reaches its officer personnel quota, it is taking steps to cut down the number of promotions.

This week it was announced that officers will not be eligible for temporary promotions to colonel until they have served one year as lieutenant colonel; nor eligible for a silver leaf until they have been major for nine months.

Thus the service-in-grade requirement is doubled for promotion from lieutenant colonel to colonel; increased by half for promotion from

major to lieutenant colonel.

Although these requirements can be waived, previously only six months' service in grade was necessary for promotion to the next higher grade, except that second lieutenants need serve only three months before being eligible for promotion.

Other examples of the same tightening up of promotion chances for officers were to be found recently in the curtailing of OCS quotas and the increasing of OCS courses from 12 weeks to four months.

AMGOT Governs Sicilians Now

Grads of Military Government School Go Into Action First Time

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS IN NORTH AFRICA—A new military government has been set up in Sicily through the agency of AMGOT, the Allied Military Government of Occupied Territory.

Gen. Sir Harold R. D. Alexander was named military governor by Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower, though this is symbolic, rather than actual, since AMGOT is headed by Maj. Gen. Lord Rennell of Rodd of the British Army, who is chief of the civil affairs officers. Brig. Gen. Frank J. McSherry, of the United States Army, is deputy chief. Many other officers trained in civil administration and a number experienced in municipal and state governments in civilian life are included in the organization.

Specially Trained

The establishment of this military government in Sicily marks the first time that the graduates of the U. S. Army School of Military Government at Charlottesville, Va., have gone into duty on jobs for which they have been specially trained.

AMGOT will set up a "benevolent" government which will rule the people of Sicily through their own officials and who are not active members of the Fascist party. Some of these doubtless will include offi-

cials who "changed sides" when the Allies landed. This appears to be necessary since under the Fascist regime membership in the party was necessary to hold office. However, the ring-leaders of Fascism will be removed from office and the Fascist militia and youth organizations will be abolished.

First Proclamation

General Alexander's first proclamation told the people of Sicily that as long as they complied with military orders they might go about their normal occupations. Rationing will be supervised by AMGOT and when necessary medical supplies and food will be provided for the destitute. Freedom of religious worship will be upheld and the position of the Catholic Church and all other religious institutions will be respected.

Allied military courts will be specially constituted by AMGOT under procedure drawn from the experience of the American and British governments. These will try all persons accused of crimes against the Allies.

Lt. Col. Charles Poletti, former Governor of New York State, is known to be on the civil affairs section of General Eisenhower's staff, and it is presumed that he is probably serving with AMGOT in Sicily.

Casualties Are Light Compared to War 1

WASHINGTON—Army casualties so far have been much lighter than in World War I.

The U. S. has been participating in the present war longer than it was in the last war, with losses only about one-fourth as great.

Acting Secretary Patterson Thursday released comparative figures, and warned that we must expect heavier casualties in the near future. "The period of relative quiet has gone. The war will proceed at a faster pace."

Army casualties to July 7, 1943, in this war total 65,136, as compared with 248,589 in the last war, he pointed out. Thus far in the present war, 7,471 American Army men have been killed in action, as compared with 37,569 in the last war. In this war only 673 have died of wounds, contrasted with 12,942 deaths from wounds in the last war.

Total of wounded, other than mortal, in this war is 17,724, compared with 193,663 wounded in World War I.

However, the U. S. has lost more prisoners to the enemy in this war, with 18,192 Americans reported as

prisoners of war, compared with 4,416 taken prisoner last time. In the present war, missing in action accounts for 21,076. Comparable figure for the last war was not given.



Gen. Patch to Head 4th Army Maneuver

CAMP ABBOTT, Ore.—Maj. Gen. A. M. Patch, a veteran of the Guadalcanal campaign, has been named as commander of the Fourth Army maneuvers to be staged over a 10,000-square-mile area in three Oregon counties in September and October.

The maneuvers will be the largest ever held in the Northwest, and will be taken part in by thousands of troops of every branch of the Army. General Patch commanded Army forces on Guadalcanal, then came to Fort Lewis, Wash., last June as corps commander. His Oregon headquarters will be at Camp Abbott.

Copies of the Army Times are made available to all Army hospitals through the American Red Cross.

American-Born Jap Women May Join WACs

WASHINGTON—A limited number of American-born women of Japanese descent will be accepted for enlistment as members of the Women's Army Corps, the War Department announced this week.

The date of enlistment of these women will coincide with the date of general enlistment in the WAC, attendant upon conversion of the Women's Auxiliary Corps on September into a Corps of the Army of the United States.

The success which attended the Army's recruitment of American men of Japanese descent led to the adoption of the plan, thus giving these loyal women an opportunity to serve their country along with other citizens. Applicants should apply for enlistment at Army recruiting stations in the usual manner. Arrangements are also being made to accept applications at War Relocation Centers.

Navy Sends Personnel To Study at Crowder

CAMP CROWDER, Mo.—A naval contingent made up of officers and enlisted men of United States forces from all over the world is here taking joint communication training with the Army at the Central Signal Corps Training Center.

The contingent was scheduled here because of facilities and equipment available for training in every phase of communications. The program is designed to further the liaison of Army and Navy activities.

All the Navy personnel have been on active duty, either in one of the fleets, shore stations or training centers. All the officers forming the executive department have come from active sea duty. The Navy contingent has its own battalion, which is set up under the 804th Training Regiment.

Seek Action Against Violators of Uniform

WASHINGTON—The National Lawyers Guild this week called for legislation to bring any felony against a member of the armed forces within the jurisdiction of Federal courts, this arising, it was noted, from "unabated" violence against Negro soldiers.

The report also recommended official Army action to promote "comradeship" between the races in the service and requested a public appeal to the President for respect for all wearers of the uniform of the United States.

WHEN the first U. S. Army newspaper published in Sicily made its appearance this week, it bore two names familiar to ARMY TIMES readers. Sgt. Bill Mauldin (above), who draws "Star Spangled Banter" for ARMY TIMES, is cartoonist of the 45th Division's 5x8, two-page "Doughboy News." Editor is Sgt. Don Robinson, who wrote the "Sergeant Yowlinghorse's Painless Lessons of War" series which appeared in ARMY TIMES recently.

Bradley Reports On Tunis Success

Effect of Our Artillery Is 'Terrible,' 2nd Corps Commander Says

WASHINGTON — Describing American artillery as "terrible in its effect," Lt. Gen. Omar Bradley, who commanded the United States Army Second Corps in the final stages of the Tunisian campaign, reported to the Chief of Staff that "the gunnery technique as outlined in our texts and employed by the field artillery units of this corps, has proven sound and effective in every encounter with the enemy."

Other Outfits Praised

But not only the artillery came in for praise from General Bradley. He said it is believed American

equipment was superior to that of other armies in Tunisia, and by the way he put it he evidently meant to include our allies. "This is particularly true of American transportation, which has continued to stand up under almost inconceivable conditions," he added.

The general, who now heads a corps in the 7th United States Army in Sicily, had under his command in Sicily, the First, Ninth and 34th Infantry divisions, and the First Armored Division, in addition to British, French and native outfits. His report covered activities from April 23 to May 9, during which time casualties among American and French troops numbered only 421 killed, 3,136 wounded and 877 missing. He attributed the smallness of the losses to the fact that units maneuvered around naturally fortified points which were known to be defended, that they concentrated only on key terrain features, that an intense artillery bombardment preceded each major attack, and that sufficient armor was available to break through the infantry elements.

Mountain Fighting

Describing the mountain fighting in Northern Tunisia, General Bradley said:

"Troops stuck to the dominating terrain and avoided valleys or other natural avenues of approach. The natural approaches were the easiest to defend, and the ones in which the enemy was most likely to be found in strength. Attacking along the ridges presented tremendous difficulties in supply, but materially reduced the number of casualties, and in the end proved to be the quickest means of outflanking the enemy's position."

He recommended boldness in dealing with anti-personnel mines and camouflaged snipers.

"It was found that boldness on the part of all concerned was the simplest, surest and quickest way of overcoming both," he said. "The sooner a sniper could be located, the sooner he could be disposed of. Anti-personnel mines caused some casualties, but it was found better to be on the bold side than to overestimate the danger and allow the attacking troops to fear them."

Second Corps Lauded

He praised the soldiers of the Second Corps and asserted they had gained much from combat in Africa.

"With their practical sense, their understanding of the enemy, their first-hand knowledge of the hardships and dangers of war, and above all else their courage and loyalty, the soldiers of the Second Corps have played a major role in the winning of a great Allied victory," he wrote.



UNCLE SAM came through with a check for \$794 to Mrs. Mary Barnett, who works for the post quartermaster at Camp Fannin, Tex. It was back allotment from her sergeant husband, now serving overseas with the combat engineers. For 13 months she had been waiting for a government check and when it finally came she blew it in on—war bonds, \$750 worth. —Signal Corps Photo

Van Dorn Company Claims a Record

CAMP VAN DORN, Miss.—Soldiers of Company A, 393rd Infantry, believe they set a new record the other day when they fell out for a practice alert in four minutes, 25 seconds, with all their equipment in trucks ready to roll. The time was so good that the company was personally commended by Maj. Marcellus T. Wilson, OC the first battalion.

Widows' Pensions Raised As President Signs Bill

WASHINGTON—Widows' Pensions were increased from the present \$38 or \$45 to \$50 per month when the President signed a bill amending the Veterans' Administration Act this week.

Previously, widows under 50 received \$38 and those over 50, \$45 monthly. The amended bill makes no differentiation for age.

The rate to a widow with one child is increased to \$65, with \$13 allowed for each additional child. Under the old law the widow got \$10

for the first child up to 10 years of age and \$15 for the first child over 10. She got \$8 for each additional child under \$10 and \$13 for each additional child over 10.

The bill also recognizes as eligible for dependency benefits stepchildren and illegitimate children of veterans.

It applies to veterans of World Wars I and II, the Boxer Rebellion, the Philippine Insurrection and the Spanish-American War. It recognizes service as a cadet at the U. S. Military Academy, as a midshipman at the U. S. Naval Academy, or as a cadet at the U. S. Coast Guard Academy on or after December 7, 1941, and before termination of present hostilities, as within scope of the law.

Acting Commandant Heads Crowder School

CAMP CROWDER, Mo.—Col. C. H. Arnold, who spent 16 months as Chief Signal Officer, Army Service Command, U. S. forces in Australia, has been appointed Acting Commandant of the Central Signal Corps School here.

Colonel Arnold, on his return from Australia, completed his 27th year in the Army. He was commissioned during the first World War, when serving with the Infantry. In 1920 he was transferred to the Signal Corps and has served in that branch of the service continuously since. During the present war he served as Signal Officer of the 8th Division, the Fourth Army Corps and the Second Army, prior to going to Australia.

Armored Force Is Now The Armored Command

FORT KNOX, Ky.—The name of the Armored Force, which has its headquarters at Fort Knox and its tanks on battlefronts throughout the world, has been changed to the Armored Command.

Announcement of the change in name followed disclosures that American tank units are fighting in the invasion of Sicily under command of Lt. Gen. George S. Patton, veteran tank officer.

Since the Armored Force was established July 10, 1940, the War Department has been reorganizing into Army Ground Forces, Army Air Forces and Army Service Forces. As the Armored Force was a subordinate component of Army Ground Forces, the similarity of names created a sometimes confusing situation

which is clarified by the change in designation. The new designation conforms more closely to the nomenclature of the Airborne Command, Antiaircraft Command and other subordinate units of Army Ground Forces.

Commanding General of the Armored Command is Maj. Gen. Alvan C. Gillem, Jr., who has been absent from Fort Knox for several weeks. He was last reported publicly at Headquarters, European Theatre of Operations, where he conferred with Lt. Gen. Jacob L. Devers, Commander of American troops in that theatre, who preceded General Gillem as Chief of American Armor.

McNair Lauds Field Artillery School

FORT SILL, Okla.—A letter from Lt. Gen. Lesley J. McNair, congratulating the Field Artillery School here on both its past and present achievements was read in an impressive ceremony.

General McNair spoke particularly of the excellent work of the artillery in the North African campaign. "I personally can testify as to the outstanding effectiveness of the artillery support during the final battle in Tunisia," he said. He stated that General Eisenhower had sent a message to the War Department that "work of the artillery has been of the highest order."

"The practicability of the system employed in this emergency with the attending outstanding success," General McNair noted, "is due, in my judgment, almost wholly to a single factor—the Field Artillery School."

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FROM ROOKIE to top sergeant in three months is the record of Earl A. McNabb, 21-year-old top kick of the 84th Infantry Division Signal Company, Camp Howze, Tex. McNabb arrived at Camp Howze to start basic on Jan. 4. Fifteen days later he got his first stripe. His second chevron came on Feb. 2 and on Feb. 19 he made buck sergeant. Company orders on April first announced he was the new top kick. —Signal Corps Photo

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To the Caribbean Indians, He's 'Doc'; to the Army Just 'Sergeant'



GI PLIERS are pretty crude to use for pulling teeth, but Sgt. William Vogel, a first aid man stationed in an outlying base in the Caribbean, has the confidence of the "Cholo," a friendly tribe of Darien Indians. They have adopted Vogel as their medicine man and call him "Doc."

—AAF Photo

By Sgt. Jack Israel
HEADQUARTERS, CARIBBEAN DEFENSE COMMAND—Sgt. William Vogel, better known as "Doc," is the medicine man of the "Cholo," a friendly tribe of Darien Indians.

Little did the New Yorker realize, when he arrived in the Caribbean area, that he would be doctoring Indians—but that he is.

Soldiers His Charges

With a background of first aid work to his credit, Vogel was sent to an outlying base in the Caribbean and placed in sole charge of a dispensary. His duties were to administer first aid to soldiers of this outpost, but before long, native Indians from nearby villages came trickling in with minor ailments.

Vogel could not refuse to help them—they were so friendly. His ability spread, and in a short while he earned the respect and confidence of the Indians in many settlements. He became known as "Doc," which is the only name they call him. Young and old, they flocked to him.

Despite limited supplies and long hours, Vogel patiently heals these people. The tools with which he works are crude, for his duty is only first aid work. He can send ailing soldiers to a hospital, but he can't do that with the Indians. Once, he healed a fractured limb, by improvising a splint with an old broom stick. For pulling teeth, Vogel uses a GI pliers. It's not the best method, but he makes it work and has satisfactory results.

Learning Language

At first, his method of conversation with these Indians was by sign language. After a while, he picked up some words and with a smattering of sign and a concoction of phrases, he manages to make himself understood.

He has very little difficulty understanding them. When they come in to see him with an ailment, all he has to do is look at them to know what's wrong. Or else, they point to whatever ails them. His orders are carried out explicitly, and according to Vogel, very conscientiously.

Although Vogel was never a doctor, he carries a certificate for Red Cross first aid work.

Fake Fires Keep Polk Firemen on Their Toes

NORTH CAMP POLK, La.—Men of the 8th Armored Division are learning the basic principles of fire prevention and protection in realistic drills.

Twice each week "surprise conflagrations" are staged with unsuspecting occupants of one of the camp buildings as "guinea pigs." A smoke pot is hidden under the building or slipped inside. This makes a close approach to actual fire conditions and gives training in rapid evacuation of barracks and fire-extinguishing. The project was devised by Lt. Col. Edward LeBlanc, post fire marshal.

Jap-Americans at Shelby Shell Out for Charity Cause

CAMP SHELBY, Miss.—The combat team of Americans of Japanese descent at Camp Shelby, including members of the Hawaiian Varsity Victory Volunteers who offered their services to the United States Army just after Pearl Harbor, has raised \$7,098 to aid the Hawaii Poliomyelitis Emergency Hospital Fund.

The money, donated during a three-week drive, will be used toward building a hospital modeled after the Warm Springs, Ga., infantile paralysis institution, and a check for the amount has just been turned over to Col. C. W. Pence, commander of the outfit, by 2nd Lt. Ralph T. Yempuku, formerly of Honolulu, who with the assistance of the team's junior regimental chaplain, 1st Lt. Thomas E. West, was instrumental in raising the fund.

Accepting the check for forward-

General Fortier Is Aide To General Henri Giraud

LONDON—Maj. Gen. Leonard T. Gerow has been appointed to succeed Maj. Gen. Russel P. Hartle as commander of the field forces of the United States Army and the European theater.

General Hartle commanded the first American troops to arrive in Northern Ireland. He came to England in November to take the command vacated by Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower, when the latter went to North Africa.

ing to Honolulu, Colonel Pence said, "It isn't only the amount that provided great satisfaction. There is the additional outstanding fact that this money has been donated by soldiers who come both from the mainland and Hawaii. That, I believe, is indicative of the spirit of teamwork which has become a characteristic attribute of the Combat Team."

British Adopt Bucket Helmet at Long Last

LONDON—A new type of helmet, something like the American issue, is soon to be issued to British Commando units and tank corps troops.

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—Army Photo

Congressional Medal to EM

A FORTRESS STATION, SOMEWHERE IN ENGLAND—St. Sgt. Maynard Smith was last week given the United States' highest military award, the Congressional Medal of Honor, by Secretary of War Henry L. Stimson, at a dramatic ceremony here in which Lt. Gen. Jacob I. Devers, Maj. Gen. Ira C. Baker, Maj. Gen. A. D. Surles, Brig. Gen. Frederick H. Anderson and Brig. Gen. C. M. Thiele took part.

Smith is the second man to receive the Congressional Medal in the European theatre and is the only one living. He now rates a 17-gun salute and a guard of honor.

He had been on a bombing attack at St. Nazaire, France, and on the way home single-handedly fought off several Focke-Wulf fighters, beat out a fire which drove three men out of the plane to their deaths, saved the life of the tail gunner with first-aid, all this through an hour and a half of hell. War Secretary Stimson called his performance "an inspiration to the armed forces."

Smith was doing KP the day previous to the ceremony as punishment for overstaying a leave pass. After all the honors he asked for a pass and went to the nearest village pub with a mob of his mates.

16th Armored Division Activated at Chaffee

CAMP CHAFFEE, Ark.—The 16th Armored Division was activated here last week, under command of Brig. Gen. Douglass T. Greene. General Greene was formerly chief of Combat Command A, 7th Armored Division.

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The new-type roll will make the pack a great help in crossing non-navigable streams.


General Fortier Is Aide To General Henri Giraud

CAMP PHILLIPS, Kans.—Brig. Gen. Louis Fortier, of the 94th Artillery, was ordered to Washington this week to act as aide to Gen. Giraud.

General Fortier was U. S. military attaché in Yugoslavia at the outbreak of the war, and had acted as aide to the King of Greece when he visited the United States previous to the war. He has a fluent knowledge of the French language.

Service Cap Banned Throughout 2nd Army

SECOND ARMY HEADQUARTERS, Memphis, Tenn.—Wearing of the service cap has been banned throughout the entire Second Army. Issuing an official directive, some units had permitted wearing of peaked type headdress while off duty. But the ban is uniform now.



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When are communities going to stop this widespread practice of overcharging service men for hotel rooms and other accommodations? ARMY TIMES would like to know, and would like to do something about it, too.

Here in Washington last week one of the newspapers exposed the practice of some of the cheaper hotels in charging service men \$3 to \$4 each for rooms that rated \$1 or \$1.50 per night. In New York we know one hotel that gets \$3 or more per night for rooms that rent normally for \$9 per week—and that seems to be the general practice in hundreds of cities.

We checked up here in Washington, and find that the District Rent Control Office will do something about getting you a refund if you can furnish a receipt and the name of the hotel and the number of the room. (If so, we'll be glad to help.)

But what we'd like to ask now is—tell us what is going on based on your own experiences of being overcharged for rooms, meals and other services. And what do you think ought to be—and can be done about it. Address: ARMY TIMES, Daily News Building, Washington 5, D. C.

LETTERS

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I read in Army Times that a bat-

tery CO and two men marched 5 miles minutes. They did it with light packs.

This company, Company "M", 119th Infantry, c/o Postmaster, APO No. 30, Nashville 2, Tenn., while at Camp Blanding, Fla., walked 5 miles with full field equipment and rifles, gas masks, steel helmets in 49 minutes and 35 seconds. The entire company did this without a man falling

Little Man Who Wasn't There



out. So far as we know no one has beaten this record. This was done after setting a record in a physical fitness contest.

Sgt. Bob Baker
C/O Postmaster, Nashville, Tenn.

Army Hit Kit

July Edition

Blue Skies

Blue skies smiling at me,
Nothing but blue skies do I see.
Bluebirds singing a song,
Nothing but bluebirds all day long.
Never saw the sun shining so bright,
Never saw things going so right.
Noticing the days hurrying by,
When you're in love, my! how they fly.

Blue days, all of them gone.
Nothing but blue skies from now on.
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Wait for Me Mary

Wait for me, Mary, till the world will smile again,
Till a smile's in style again,
And a dream's worth while again.
Wait for me, Mary, by the moonlit garden gate,
Where my heart and I would wait for you.
There are so many things I want to tell you,
Little words that I never told before.
And I hope that it won't be hard to sell you
All the dreams I have in store.
So wait for me, Mary, till the world will sing again,
Till I bring my love again to you.
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She'll Be Comin' 'Round the Mountain

She'll be comin' 'round the mountain,
when she comes;
She'll be comin' 'round the mountain,
when she comes;
I can hear that engine pantin',
And the passengers a-chantin';
She'll be comin' 'round the mountain,
when she comes.

She'll be drivin' six white horses,
when she comes;
She'll be drivin' six white horses,
when she comes;
When you hear that whistle tootin',
You can gamble sure as shootin'
She'll be drivin' six white horses
when she comes.

She'll be comin' 'round the mountain,
when she comes;
She'll be comin' 'round the mountain,
when she comes;
If she hits a cow on Sunday,
Then we'll all have beefsteak Monday;
She'll be comin' 'round the mountain,
when she comes.
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In My Arms

In My Arms, In My Arms,
Ain't I never gonna get a girl in my arms?
In My Arms, In My Arms,
Ain't I never gonna get a bundle of charms?
Comes the dawn, I'll be gone,
I just gotta have a honey holdin' me tight.
You can keep your knittin' and your purlin',
If I'm a-gonna go to Berlin,
Gimme a girl in my arms tonight.

Extra Choruses

In My Arms, In My Arms,
Ain't I never gonna get a girl in my arms?
In My Arms, In My Arms,
Ain't I never gonna get a bundle of charms?
Comes the dawn, I'll be gone,
And I thank you for the many letters you'll write.
As for something nice and cute and female,
I'll never get it in the V-mail,
Gimme a girl in my arms tonight.

In My Arms, In My Arms,
Ain't I never gonna get a girl in my arms?
In My Arms, In My Arms,
Ain't I never gonna get a bundle of charms?
Comes the dawn, I'll be gone,
I'll be headin' for the very thick of the fight.
You can wine and dine and cigarette me,
But if you really want to get me,
Give me a girl in my arms tonight.

In My Arms, In My Arms,
Ain't I never gonna get a girl in my arms?
In My Arms, In My Arms,
Ain't I never gonna get a bundle of charms?
Comes the dawn, I'll be gone.
Now does anybody wanna please treat me right?
You can keep your shavin' cream and lotion,
If I'm a-gonna cross the ocean,
Gimme a girl in my arms tonight.
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Ch'i Lai (Chee Lie)

Favorite marching song of the Chinese Volunteers

Arise ye who refuse to be bond slaves!
With our very flesh and blood
Let us build our new Great Wall.
China's masses have met the day of

danger,
Indignation fills the hearts of all of our countrymen.
Arise! Arise! Arise!
Many hearts with one mind,
Brave the enemy's gunfire,
March on! Brave the enemy's gun-fire.
March on! March on! March on!

Phonetic Chinese

Chee-lie! pu yuen tso nu lee dee
djun mun!
Bah waugh mnu dee shueh djo,
Chu chen waugh mun shin dee
Chang Chuhn!
Chung-hwa min-chu dow leow chewy
way shien dee shuhh-ho.
May-ko-djun-pay buh cho fah chu
chewy ho dee how-shuhn!
Chee-lie! Chee-lie! Chee-lie!
Waugh mun wan chung deeshin,
Mow cho dee-djun-dee pow-ho,
Chen Jing! Mow cho dee-djun-dee
pow-ho.
Chien Jing! Chien Jing! Chien Jing!
From "Songs of China"

You'll Never Know

You'll never know just how much I miss you,
You'll never know just how much I care.
And if I tried, I still couldn't hide my love for you.
You ought to know, for haven't I told you so
A million or more times?
You went away and my heart went with you,
I speak your name in my ev'ry pray'r.
If there is some other way to prove that I love you
I swear I don't know how.
You'll never know if you don't know now.

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Dinah

Dinah, is there anyone finer
In the State of Carolina?
If there is and you know 'er,
Show 'er to me!
Dinah, with her Dixie eyes blazin',
How I love to sit and gaze in—
To the eyes of Dinah Lee.

Ev'ry night, why do I shake with fright?
Because my Dinah might change her mind about me.
Dinah, if she wandered to China,
I would hop an ocean liner,
Just to be with Dinah Lee.
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500 Become Citizens In London Ceremony

WASHINGTON—Five hundred nationals of 43 countries, serving with the United States Army, became citizens of the United States in a mass ceremony in North Africa recently, the War Department announced. Some members of this group have already been decorated for heroism in the service of their new country.

The majority of those taking the oath of allegiance were Canadians. Among these was Lt. Mary Jean Craig, of the Army Nurse Corps, the only woman in the group. Nationals of Italy formed the next highest contingent, with Germany, Mexico, Poland, Great Britain, Austria, Russia and Czechoslovakia following.

Chaplain at Camp Polk Dies of Swim Injury

CAMP POLK, La.—1st Lt. Patrick X. Flaherty, 32, chaplain of the 41st Armored Regiment, 11th Armored Division, died in the Station Hospital here on Monday of this week from injuries suffered in a swimming accident several weeks ago.

Chaplain Flaherty, a Catholic, was injured when he dived into shallow water while on a swimming party with troops in the field several weeks ago. He was confined in the station hospital here since the time of the mishap.

Personalities in the News

LT. GEN.



Brehon B. Somervell

COMMANDING GENERAL
ARMY SERVICE FORCES

— ★ ★ ★ —

AS CHIEF OF THE ARMY'S SUPPLY SERVICES, HE IS OBLIGED TO TELL THE STRATEGISTS WHEN THEY PLAN THE CAMPAIGNS, WHAT THEY CAN EXPECT IN THE WAY OF MEN, MUNITIONS, AND MATERIAL ON THE FIGHTING FRONTS. IN TERMS OF RESPONSIBILITY, CHIEF OF STAFF ARNOLD RUNS THE AIR FORCES, MCNAIR TRAINS THE GROUND FORCES, BUT EVERYTHING ELSE IS UNDER THIS ARMY ENGINEER. FROM ARKANSAS, WHOM BARUCH ONCE DESCRIBED AS "ONE OF THE FEW AMERICANS WHO REALLY UNDERSTAND TOTAL WAR."



AMERICA'S ALERTMEN FEATURE

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New Kinks

Saves \$500

A dellescope, which enlarges and reproduces small pictures, doing the work of a \$500 machine, has been invented and built by Acting Sgt. Jess Stewart, Camp Haan, Cal. The instrument is made of a five-gallon oil can, the case of a 90-mm shell, two old tomato cans and two milk cans, plus a bulb and lens, the only items purchased. It is specially useful in deciphering maps.

Boxed Antenna

Men in the construction lab at the Tech. School of the AAFTC, at Sioux Falls, S. D., were asked to experiment with putting the trailing antenna of a plane, which must be extended to various lengths for change of frequencies, in a box. They evolved a dummy installation with a footage counter, in which small wheel rolls along the length of wire rolled on a wooden cylinder. The footage counter stops, the wheel at the right spot and thus gives the right antenna length.

'Magic Eye'

A "Magic Eye," which has been used for some time for anti-aircraft fire but has until recently been on the secret list, now comes into the open. A director box associated with the anti-aircraft gun carries two telescopes which are pointed at enemy planes. Everything else is automatic. Speed and direction of the planes is figured and the guns of the AA battery are pointed by remote control. All the crew has to do is load and fire.

Plane 'Chute

A newly-designed patent covers self-opening parachute designed to save airplanes. A large chute is stored in the plane with an air intake tube on the under side of the wings which can be opened at the same time a trap door in the top of the plane's fuselage releases the chute. The idea, obviously, is that when a pilot, or other member of a plane's crew knows that a crash is inevitable, the chute can be released and will carry the plane and its crew gently to earth.

Obstacle Course

Newest wrinkle in obstacle course is one built in the Engineer Replacement Training Center at Fort Leonard Wood, Mo. It consists of a row of towers on the edge of a ravine with a cable strung from each tower to the opposite bank. Engineers trainees climb a rope monkey fashion to the top of the tower where they are given three pieces of rope with which to make a sling capable of carrying their weight. When their sling is finished, they hook it to a pulley on the aerial cable, climb in and take a skyride across the ravine. Officers in charge of rigging training say it's one of the best tests of an engineer's knot-tying ability they've seen. If a trainee ties a poor knot, he's apt to take a nasty spill when he starts on his skyride. Just to play safe, however, cademen check each knot before the rookie does for his ride.

All Present or Accounted for

When the parachute flares being sent out or refused to rise from the stars, the post intelligence officer investigated for sabotage. But stamped in indelible ink on the parachute was the reason: "Made in Japan." They were pre-Pearl Harbor purchases. . . . Quick laundry service assured the Medics of the base hospital at PRESQUE ISLE ARMY AIRFIELD, Me., where the officers stopped in to buy an old-fashioned Thor revolving tub model washing machine. It is set up in a machine for the use of the EM. . . . Anyone caught writing on these walls will be immediately discharged" read the sign on the wall of the remodeled bathhouse at the pool at CAMP BARKELEY, Tex. The walls were crammed with the



of GIs. The building had previously been used by civilian personnel. . . . Capt. John J. De Rosa, CAMP CROFT, S. C., has water-proofed the motor and other vital parts of a jeep so that it can run in deep water. Most notable change in appearance is an exhaust pipe sticking high up out of the front radiator. Captain De Rosa points out that the vehicle wouldn't have any difficulty landing from barges when the tide is running high.

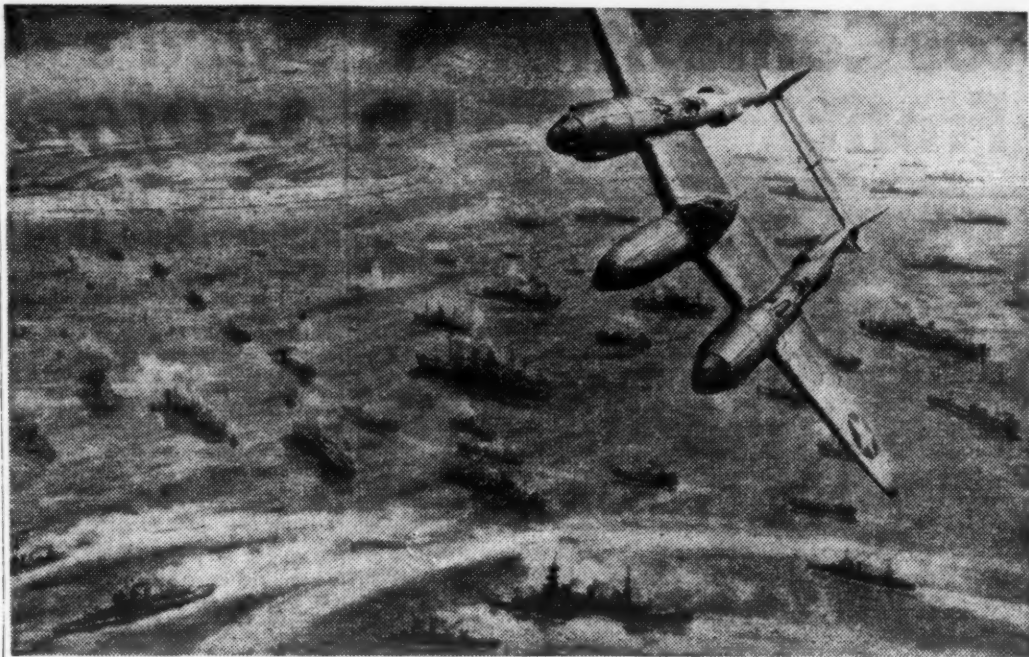
PORT MONMOUTH, N. J., which is the first post in the nation to have a chapel with chimes, now has two chapels which peal forth musical selections before services each Sunday. Installed at a cost of about \$100, the "chimes" are recordings played over a special public address system. . . . A new short of a course at FORT MCLELLAN, Ala., a ravine rookies several hours of instruction on how to write interesting letters home without spilling military secrets. . . . Pvt. George Abels, towered NIAGARA, N. Y., doesn't like the piece of bills. He smuggled one out of a sling in Europe, hiding it carefully in the sole of his shoe, in the lining of his hat, in the hot air register of a railroad car, when custom officers searched his clothing and his baggage repeatedly. Finally he consented it, torn and discolored—his stake for a new start in a new world—to a bank teller in New York. It was counterfeit.

Officers and cademen of one company at FORT MCLELLAN, Ala., KP one day last week while the regular KPs just stood around and shed. It was "between cycles" the training outfit and all cademen were learning mess management. The mess sergeant, posing as



mental mess inspector, pulled a surprise inspection at the end of day. . . . "If you were stranded in a life-raft and could rescue one person, whom would you pick? If you had to choose between Grable and the ship's skipper? That question was presented to soldiers by the Blazon, a newspaper, at FORT SAMSTON, Tex. No one voted for Grable, but one sergeant would like to have cruised around with Grable for a while and then come back for the captain. Answered: "It takes years to make a captain and one picture to Betty Grable. So. . ." One moral, in voting for the skipper, with a faraway look in his eyes, "Brother, you just don't know wife!"

makes Pfc. George Kuehnle's bath water to think of that \$300-month civil service job waiting for him in Washington. Kuehnle, with the First Medical Regiment, CAMP WHITE, Ore., keeps telling them he's in the Army, but comes another offer. "And only making \$54 now," he sighs. Pvt. James E. Stewart lost a while at CAMP VAN DORN,



THIS VISUALIZATION of the greatest invasion armada in history closing in on Sicily, was released this week to the United States armed forces throughout the world. Based on spot news stories sent by war correspondents of the combined U. S. Press and the report of an American reconnaissance pilot who flew his twin-engined P-38 high over the heavy Mediterranean swells, the picture was turned out in three days by Military Illustrator Noel Sickles for publication in the latest edition of Newsmap. Showing only a fraction of the 3,000 vessels which closed in on 100 miles of Sicilian shoreline, the picture provides a conception of the never-to-be-forgotten sight witnessed by Allied pilots on missions over the Sicilian Strait in the dim dawn of July 10. Described as "black with ships," the sea reveals among the invaders: cruisers, destroyers, cargo vessels, landing barges for tanks and infantry, and huge passenger ships that presumably had been peace-time luxury liners. Above the heavy concentration of ships can be seen a P-38 on a photographic mission, and in the background are a couple of the new A-36's, the much praised new American fighter which made its debut in this engagement. Smoke and flame extend 10 miles inland as Allied warships pour steel without interruption on the enemy shore positions, and pound them out of action as fast as they are revealed by their gun-flashes. Some ships dash in close to the beaches, fire their salvos, then swoop out again. Black smoke on shore indicates oil fires they have started.

Miss. Now he's at CAMP CLAI-BORNE, La., awaiting a discharge that he doesn't want. In the meantime, he keeps up with the rest of the men on work details, supporting his artificial leg with a cane.

Men have crossed the continent by plane, covered wagon, mule and bicycle, but Cpl. John W. Church, 87th Armored Artillery Ban. Bn., now stationed at FORT KNOX, Ky., claims to be the only man on record to ride from the Atlantic to the Pacific in a barber chair. Before coming to Fort Knox, the battalion moved from coast to coast with all its equipment and Church volunteered to act as ballast when the chair was loaded in a GI truck. He didn't budge once during the entire trip—but, of course, the locale was Panama and the total distance from ocean to ocean was 37 miles. . . . Ambition of Pfc. Henry Douglas Temple, CAMP STEWART, Ga., is "to kill my father." Temple's father is a colonel in the Nazi army who turned out his wife and child because of their Jewish blood. . . . All aviation mechanic students assigned to ARMARILLO ARMY AIR

FIELD, Tex., will receive two hours of mass instruction in singing during their first five days on the post. As part of the "familiarization program," they will learn such songs as "I've Been Working on the Railroad," "Alouette," and "Sixpence."

Causing no end of trouble for his first sergeant at CAMP CROWDER, Mo., is Pvt. Paul F. Mundy. If the topkick tells the private "You're on KP, Mundy," he probably won't show up until—Monday. . . . Every man in the 14th Armored Division, CAMP CHAFFEE, Ark., is going to learn to swim by September 1 if Red Cross Instructor Arthur J. Delaney has his way. The 125th Armored Engineers built themselves a small pool, 24 by 12 by 4 feet, in which they are learning to swim so they can instruct the rest of the division.

Latest claim to the itch championship of the United States is made by Cpl. Thomas Loslava, Company D, 393rd Infantry, CAMP VAN DORN, Miss., who counted 103 chigger bites on his anatomy. . . . It costs a penny every time you cuss during working hours in the Personnel Section of the Barrage

U. S. Army Has Record Low Disease Death Rate

WASHINGTON—The present Army of the United States has the lowest death rate from disease of any army anywhere at any time, it was disclosed last week by Maj. Gen. Norman Thomas Kirk, Surgeon General of the Army.

General Kirk asserted that dysentery, typhus and yellow fever, so costly in other wars, were becoming nonexistent as a result of vaccination and proper sanitation, and that malaria, though prevalent in the Army, was under control.

In the Southwest Pacific, for every man evacuated there were two cases of malaria. Despite the large number of malaria cases there have been only 16 deaths from the disease, he stated. A good deal of this result is attributable to the use of atabrine, which has proved almost as effective as quinine.

While typhus is prevalent among

the natives of North Africa, the preventive treatment has been so effective that only two cases have developed among the troops. Both patients survived.

General Kirk noted that the percentage of neuro-psychiatric cases was too high, and said that 40 per cent of the medical patients he had observed at the Percy Jones Hospital, at Battle Creek, Mich., were of that type, most of them having been brought from the South Pacific area. It was noted, however, that 85 per cent of these "nerve" cases had been more or less affected before they had entered the Army.

Veneral disease, high for a time in North Africa, is now being brought under control.

BENJAMIN FRANKLIN, a colored soldier, is a private at Camp Stewart, Ga.

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Stimson Says Army Just About Filled

LONDON—Secretary of War Henry L. Stimson, speaking at a press conference here, said that the United States has almost completed recruiting the "largest and best trained Army . . . ever sent beyond its borders."

He stated that his main purpose in coming overseas at this time was to see American troops who are fighting and getting ready to fight in this war theater.

Mr. Stimson declared that, in spite of differences over "minor matters," the people of the United States are wholeheartedly behind the war effort and both soldiers and civilians are determined to carry it through to a complete victory as soon as possible.

Not Kisses

CAMP VAN DORN, Miss.—Cpl. Eugene Lipinsky, headquarters Battery, 371st Field Artillery, saw some mistletoe high in a tree the other day, and probably thinking of Christmas and kisses, went up after it. Instead of the kisses he is now enduring a bad case of poison oak.

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Radiophotos Come Straight From the Front

See Pictures Below

WASHINGTON—An American soldier crawls stealthily toward the brow of the hill. Below, he sees an olive grove, verdant in the low rolling country. He snuggles closer into the underbrush and waits.

Suddenly the cough of motors starting comes to him. From the grove come clanking the iron monsters of the Nazi Panzers. And from behind him come shells that land and crash among the enemy tanks.

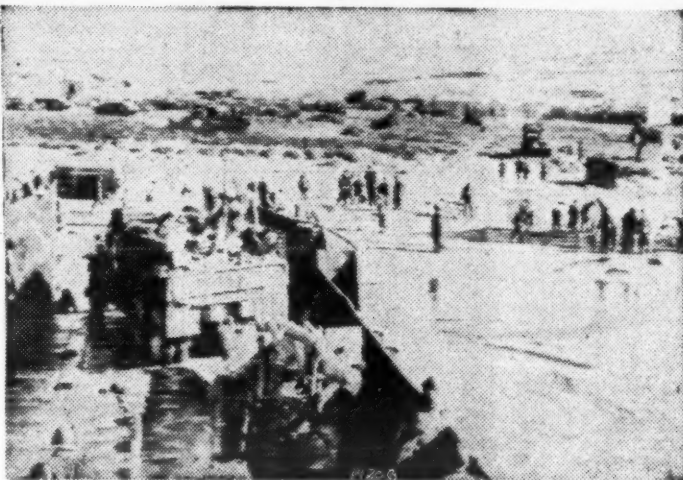
Squeezes Trigger
Cautiously raising himself from the earth, the soldier sights the instrument he holds in his hands and squeezes the trigger.

And this week in Army Times you may see a picture of German tanks being routed—or of Allied troops landing. (See below).

For the trigger the American soldier squeezed was not that of a gun, but that of a camera.

The speed with which you see pictures of the fighting now going on in Sicily is due in large measure to the combat photographers of the Signal Corps, U. S. Army Service Forces. These soldiers, members of the Army Pictorial Service of the Signal Corps, are in the thick of the fighting now going on in the hills and plains of inland Sicily.

Part of Signal Corps
The Army Pictorial Service is one of the five major services of the Signal Corps. It is headed by Col.



SICILY INVADED! Photo from landing craft shows U. S. troops preparing beach for landing of mobile units.

—Signal Corps Radio Photos

Kirke B. Lawton, a Signal Corps officer of long standing, Col. Melvin E. Gillette, until recently commanding officer of the Signal Corps Photographic Center, Long Island City, New York, is the Army Pictorial Service representative on General

Eisenhower's Allied Headquarters Staff in North Africa. In charge of the picture unit covering the Sicilian campaign is Lt. Col. Robert Shaw, who until some months ago was Colonel Gillette's assistant at Long Island City.

From the moment the American assault troops hit the beach, each combat unit was accompanied by two photographers who did their shooting with cameras. One took still pictures. The other was a motion picture cameraman.

These men are equipped with the best of American photographic instruments. The still picture photographer has two cameras—a speed job that uses a 4x5 cut film pack, and a small candid, loaded with 35 mm. film. The motion picture man uses a hand-held 35 mm. camera. Supplementing this he has a hand-held 16 mm. camera, and for detail and fast action shots, a pocket-size 16 mm. camera.

To Africa

On the mainland of North Africa is a still photographic "desk." As soon as pictures are received back across the 90-mile Sicilian Strait, photographic technicians develop and print the film. After being checked through censorship, these pictures are rushed to the Signal Corps radiotelephoto transmitter. Within 7 minutes copies of these pictures come off the Signal Center's telephoto receiver in Washington and minutes later are on view in the War Department Bureau of Public Relations. There the major photographic news services may take their pick.

A special production crew for handling motion picture films also is in operation on the mainland of North Africa. Members of this crew are a director, a writer, a cameraman and other assistants. This staff lays out the continuity, identifies the film and puts the background material on film to be used in conjunction with the battle shots. Within a short time an historical film of the invasion of Sicily will be available to the War Department in Washington. The cameraman of this special crew uses a large 35 mm. professional production type camera.

"Signal Corps Radiophoto." That caption beneath pictures focuses attention once again on the combat photographers of the Signal Corps.

Soon Over

GETTYSBURG, Pa.—One of the 22 Adams County selectees who reported for duty last week has certain knowledge that the war will be over in three months or less.

When asked how he could be sure, as he boarded the bus to leave, he said: "Because I've never had a job for more than three months in my life."

Pays for Blanket; Now Conscience Is Clear

WASHINGTON — The United States Treasury is \$60 ahead and a former soldier's conscience is at ease, the War Department disclosed this week. The unidentified serviceman placed two bills—a fifty and a ten—in a plain envelope. He enclosed a one-sentence note: "The enclosed covers some blankets which as I see it now should have been turned in by me on my discharge."

Marked personal, the letter was mailed in New York to Lt. Gen. Brehon Somervell, commanding general, Army Service Forces. The money was forwarded by the War Department to the Treasury.

Stuka's Dead Duck, AA Officer Tells WD

Back from Africa, Battalion Commander Says Dive Bomber Easy Target

WASHINGTON—The Stuka dive bomber is "all done," in the opinion of an antiaircraft battalion commander whose unit destroyed at least 78 enemy planes with "probables" running the score up over a hundred in the Tunisian campaign, the War Department disclosed this week.

"The Stukas are slow, easy to catch and easy to hit," said Lt. Col. John C. Smith on his return to Army Ground Forces headquarters. "I think the Stuka is all done," he said. "Our antiaircraft stuff scared the Stukas, who found it too costly to come too close to us. There were lots of them at first, but very few at El Gueitar."

Got One While Landing

Colonel Smith's unit, activated at Fort Sheridan, Ill., under the Antiaircraft Command at Richmond, Va., went into action early.

"We got one plane right from the landing barge when we were moving off the boats, and 10 more on the shore while we were covering the infantry and artillery while they landed," Colonel Smith said.

"We did a lot of covering work. At one time we used our half tracks to pull the artillery into position and then stayed to protect them

from air attack while they pounded the enemy with heavy shells.

"A lot of the antiaircraft unit were in the rear and so did not have the opportunity to score that we had. Our battalion is credited with 78 enemy planes officially destroyed, and our total will run well over 100 with our 'probables.'"

Not Easy to Check

Colonel Smith pointed out that it isn't always easy to determine the success of antiaircraft fire by on-the-scene observation.

"I recall one day when we were in position on an airfield," Colonel Smith said, "and five ME 109's came over and bracketed our gun pits. They strafed everything in sight. Later I went to the positions and bawled out the gun crews for knocking down a single plane. An observer said he had noted one hit on one plane."

"Later investigation showed that two of the planes crashed just over nearby mountains, and a third crashed 20 miles farther. That was good shooting—three out of five. They didn't bother us after that."

"Thirty-three enemy planes dived on us during the last push," Colonel Smith continued, "and we claimed one probable. A little further along their course only 20 planes were sighted. We never found out what happened to those 'missing 13.' We don't claim we got 13, but we don't know what happened to them."

Used AA on Ground Troops

Colonel Smith told of an officer who knocked down 11 planes in three hours of fighting, the affair resulting from two attacks, each about an hour and a half long.

"We used our antiaircraft guns on machine gun nests with great success," Colonel Smith said, "and found we were kept very busy as we moved along with the troops. In fact, we covered the rear guard during the Kasserine Pass battle and found lots of activity."

"Initially in the campaign there was plenty of dive bombing, but toward the end there was very little. I don't think any enemy planes got back from the last raid."

"We had excellent equipment, and we were right up there where the planes were flying thick, which permitted us to establish our record."

Draft Loyal Japs, Committee Says

WASHINGTON—That Americans of Japanese descent be drafted "in the same manner" as other residents of the United States, was a recommendation made this week by the Military Affairs Committee of the Senate.

A further recommendation was that disloyal Japanese be placed in internment camps, and that loyal, able-bodied Japanese be allowed to work "under proper supervision" in areas where they will be accepted and where the Army and Navy authorities consider it safe for them to go.

It was suggested that the War Department has satisfactory methods of "screening out the bad ones" and that 7,500 Japanese are already in the Army.

Officers Are Assigned To Boost Insurance Sales

WASHINGTON—Each of the nine Service Commands has now been staffed with a full-time insurance officer from the Adjutant General's Department, Army Service Forces, to handle the field work connected with the National Service Life Insurance program, while a special unit of insurance officers is touring the European theater of operations to clarify the functioning of this service to Army personnel, the War Department announced.

The job of explaining how low-cost insurance up to \$10,000 per man is available to soldiers is a continuing one, as new inductees come into the Army.

The growing extent to which soldiers are availing themselves of insurance protection under this system is revealed in the fact that, as of May 31, over 90 per cent of the soldiers in the continental United States, Alaska, Northwest Canada, the Caribbean and South Pacific are holders of National Service Life Insurance, compared with 68 per cent on May 31, 1942. (Comparative statistics for the European theater are not yet available.)

Of these insurance holders, the average amount per man on May 31 was \$8,000, compared with \$4,805 the year before.

The most complete coverage as well as the largest average amount

per man is in the South Pacific where 98.6 per cent of the personnel hold policies averaging \$9,202.

The latest tabulation, broken down by commands and theaters, follows:

Command	Percentage Insured	Average Amount
First Service Command	85.0	\$7,700
Second Service Command	88.5	7,600
Third Service Command	83.7	8,215
Fourth Service Command	88.8	8,000
Fifth Service Command	90.3	8,121
Sixth Service Command	90.0	8,570
Seventh Service Command	91.5	8,572
Eighth Service Command	90.1	8,231
Ninth Service Command	82.5	7,774
Military Dist. of Washington	80.3	6,950
Alaska Defense Command	89.3	7,853
Caribbean Defense Command	85.0	6,600
Northwest Service Command	79.4	6,670
South Pacific Theater	98.6	9,202

An interim report received by radio from the Hawaiian Department indicated 97 per cent insured for an average of \$9,513 per insured as of June 25, 1943.

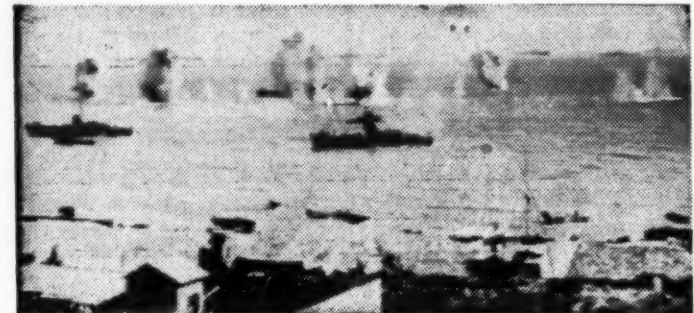
Late Xmas

CAMP EDWARDS, Mass.—While there was no June in January on Cape Cod during the past winter, it was Christmas in July for Pfc. Victor G. Reed this week.

Last year Reed was on a South Pacific island with United States troops. His mother, father and friends sent him two Christmas packages filled with candy, cigarettes and a sewing kit. They mailed the packages last November. Reed, now with the 114th Service Command Unit, contracted coral poisoning and was returned here in January of this year.

This week he received some mail. It was the Christmas presents and all were in good condition.

FOR AMERICAN soldiers overseas pay is a 20 per cent increase over base pay. It begins from the time of departure from United States shores.



FROM hillside in Gela landing craft are shown under enemy bombardment during the Sicilian invasion.

Back to College for Some Men in Advanced ROTC

WASHINGTON—The War Department announced this week that reduced quotas for the Officer Candidate Schools in connection with a slowing up of the officer training program have made possible a modification of the original plan of training ROTC students called to active duty.

Big Hobby House Planned at Lewis

FORT LEWIS, Wash.—Enlisted men will be able to indulge their favorite hobbies in a new hobby house shortly to be opened here.

Located in a building with a floor space of a third of an acre, the house will provide facilities for photography, leathercraft, sculpture, modeling, wood-working and wood-carving, art metal craft, model plane building, archery, block-painting, and other hobbies, suggested by individuals. Instructors in the various hobbies and studies will be provided by a nearby high school.

The house was conceived by Lt. Col. Alvie L. Merrill, post special service officer, and has been heartily approved by Col. Ralph R. Glass, post commander.

Military Scholarships Offered H. S. Graduates

WASHINGTON—The War Department this week announced creation of the Army Specialized Training Reserve Program, under which qualified high school graduates between 17 and 18 years of age will be granted military scholarships providing for basic phase instruction in the Army Specialized Training Program at selected colleges and universities.

The reserve program will be limited to those volunteers who received qualifying scores on the preinduction test administered last April 2, and to those who qualify in similar tests to be given in the future. The next test is scheduled for early November.

A maximum quota of 25,000 of these ASTP Reservists has been established by the War Department. This is in addition to the quota of 150,000 set for the number of soldiers participating in the Army Specialized Training Program.

It is now possible to permit this group to be returned to school for additional academic training designed to increase their value as future officers. This modified procedure will be advantageous both to the War Department, by turning out a better prepared officer, and to the individual, by increasing his educational background.

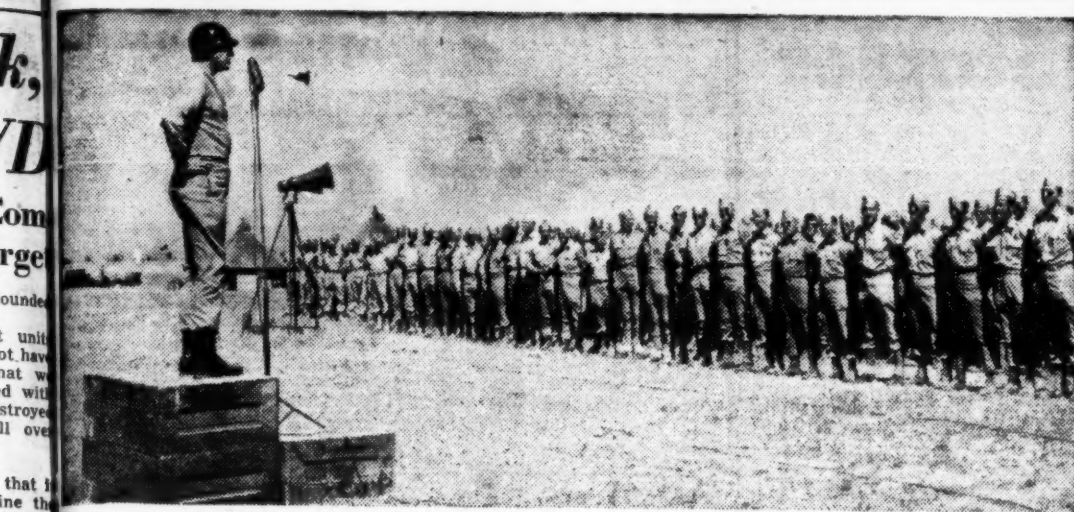
Second year advanced ROTC students who have graduated are now being placed in Officer Candidate Schools as rapidly as vacancies become available. The majority of this group will be in Officer Candidate Schools within the next few weeks, and all will have entered by Sept. 30, 1943.

Second year advanced ROTC students who have not graduated are being permitted to return to school on an inactive status, at their request, to continue their academic work. This group will be permitted to remain in college to complete the semester or quarter in progress on Dec. 31, 1943, unless sooner graduated.

Second year advanced ROTC students awaiting assignment to Officer Candidate Schools and those who do not elect to return to college will be held in replacement training centers, where they will be utilized as assistant instructors to provide them with additional training and experience which will be of distinct value to them when they enter Officer Candidate School.

First year advanced ROTC students are now undergoing basic military training at Replacement Training Centers. Upon completion of this training they will be returned to college under the supervision of the Army Specialized Training Division, pending the availability of vacancies in Officer Candidate Schools. During this period, which may be long enough to provide two or more quarters, they will be given academic instruction designed to make them more useful officers in their branch. Military instruction will continue during this college period.

Ultimately, all advanced ROTC students will be assigned to Officer Candidate Schools to complete their officer training.



BEFORE INVASION of Sicily, American soldiers underwent intensive maneuvers rehearsing their jobs to come. The invasion training was under the direction of the Fifth Army, commanded by Lt. Gen. Mark W. Clark, but here Lt. Gen. George W. Patton, who was to command the actual invasion troops, addresses field officers of an Airborne Invasion Division on the task that lay ahead of them.

Fort Wood Chips

FORT LEONARD WOOD, Mo.—As one bugler didn't make enough noise at reveille time, the 289th Infantry has organized a 33-piece drum and bugle corps to shatter the slumber of Fort Leonard Wood dogfaces. No overwhelmingly favorable response has been noted, but buglers don't expect to be loved.

National Service Life Insurance paid off in advance for men of a field artillery regiment here when officers threw a big party in celebration of a 100 per cent insurance sign-up. Fort Leonard Wood leads the Seventh Service Command in response to the insurance drive.

You know all about the Army classification system—putting a man in a job similar to his civilian occupation. Well, a guy came in last week who said he has been a "bucker-up." Classification officers are a mite puzzled.



STREAMING down both ramps of their LCI boats, these infantrymen dash through the surf to the beach in invasion maneuvers. This scene was duplicated many times over on the day of the actual invasion.

—Signal Corps Photos

AGF: The Week's News of the Army Ground Forces Straight from Headquarters in Washington

HEADQUARTERS, AGF—Immediate attention of AGF commanding generals to the current National Life Insurance program was requested this week by Lt. Gen. Lesley J. McNair, commanding general of Army Ground Forces, in a statement noting that the 120-day period during which military personnel may obtain this insurance without physical examination expires Aug. 10, 1943. "I am convinced firmly that a soldier will give a better account of himself when he arrives on the bat-

tlefield if he knows that his dependents are covered by the protection which this insurance provides," General McNair said. "I consider this insurance to be a definite morale factor in preparation of men for combat."

It was announced at Army Ground Force Headquarters that the Airborne Command is designated as coordinating agency between Troop Carrier Command and ground force units in all matters pertaining to supply by air.

Four women feature writers attended a "meatless dinner" served this week to enlisted men at Ground Force Headquarters messhall, the Army War College. As a substitute for meat portions of the meal, choplets of wheat gluten, mushroom broth, yeast and vegetables were prepared. Credit for introduction of the idea to AGF Headquarters' menu goes to M/Sgt. Thomas A. McDermott, mess sergeant, and T/4 Stephen Bailey, salad chef, who began their search for a meat substitute early last May.

AIRBORNE COMMAND—On a flying visit to Airborne Command Head-

quarters at Camp Mackall, N. C., Gen. Henri Honore Giraud, commander of French forces in North Africa, inspected troops of the 11th and 17th Airborne Divisions. A 17-gun salute fired by a battalion of paratroopers welcomed General Giraud as he stepped to the landing strip with his aide, Brig. Gen. Louis J. Fortier, and accompanying party. Later General Giraud inspected, then reviewed the 11th and 17th Airborne Divisions.

ARMORED COMMAND—Headquarters announced the appointment of Brig. Gen. John L. Pierce of Dallas, Tex., as chief of staff of the command.

General Pierce relieves Brig. Gen. David G. Barr, who will continue on duty at headquarters pending receipt of an unannounced assignment.

Stick to Guns, AAA Men Told

CAMP DAVIS, N. C.—"Stick to your guns" is the advice given to antiaircraft artillery soldiers by Col. Joseph B. Fraser, who has just returned from 15 months' service in the Southwest Pacific and is now at the Antiaircraft Artillery School, taking an advanced course. Colonel Fraser was in New Guinea commanding the U. S. antiaircraft artillery forces for 12 months. "Experience showed that our men who stuck by their guns under fire suffered fewer casualties than those who ran for cover," Colonel Fraser said. "If you pour a steady stream of fire into the Japs they won't keep coming on. They have gained a great deal of respect for our guns and our men are not as prone to attack batteries as they once were."

"One battalion in the Port Moresby which saw a good deal of action did not have a single fatal casualty in 70 bombing raids," he said. "In that zone our antiaircraft artillery completely broke up the enemy's raiding attacks, mainly by staying in the guns and pouring fire at the incoming planes. The Japs soon found it advisable to resort to high-level bombing and gave up further low-level attacks."

THE SECOND DIGIT in the serial numbers of the Army reveals the service command in which the men are stationed or from which he was inducted. For instance, 36942789 indicates that the bearer is from the 14th Service Command.

Army to Recognize Chaplain's Ex-parishes

WASHINGTON—The first of a series of ceremonies for the presentation of the War Department Certificate of Award to churches, seminaries, religious orders and similar organizations whose clergymen are serving as chaplains in the United States Army will be held at the South Post Chapel, Fort Myer, Va., at 1:30 p.m., Sunday, July 25, the War Department announced.

Later in the day, services of a corresponding character will be held in nine other cities—one each within the boundaries of the nine Army service commands. All of these services are expected to be models for ceremonies eventually to be held in all churches and institutions whose congregations and members have contributed the services of religious leaders to the Army's Corps of Chaplains for the aid and comfort of soldiers.

Cotton Replaces Leather In Signal Equipment

WASHINGTON—Cotton fabric has been substituted for leather in the manufacture of carrying cases for field telephones, the War Department announced this week.

Because of its weight and the rough treatment it receives during battle operations, the field telephone has heretofore been carried in a heavy leather case. But with the growing need for conserving this type of leather, Signal Corps procurement officials several months ago began casting about for a suitable substitute.

After experimenting and testing at the Signal Corps Laboratories at Fort Monmouth, N. J., a cotton carrying case was evolved that not only has the strength of leather, but in

some respects is superior.

The Signal Corps has initiated other measures that are saving millions of dollars and at the same time insuring the full use of vital critical materials. For example, by cutting down the sizes and re-specifying the shapes, great savings have been effected in the amount of quartz crystal needed for radios.

The Signal Corps has also substituted paper and ceramics for mica, another cardinal item for radio operation. It has substituted lead for scarce zinc, and high grade ceramics for bakelite. It has encouraged the use of scrap and low grade aluminum for pure aluminum, where it may be used without sacrificing necessary lightness or strength, and synthetic rubber for natural rubber.

As part of its conservation campaign, the Signal Corps has also made arrangements to have broken radio tubes shipped back to the United States from the fields of battle. Radio tubes, some of which cost as high as \$35 per unit, contain in the aggregate great amounts of critical materials like tungsten, nickel, tantalum, platinum and molybdenum. These materials can be re-fabricated, and some of them can be re-used as many as 20 times.

Morale Booster

CAMP STOENMEN, Calif.—T/4 Richard Willis, of the Inspector General's Office, found a way to boost the home folks' morale. Recently, in writing home, instead of using the usual "Sgt.," he used the T/4. His mother wrote back: "I see by your letter that you are now a technician fourth grade. Congratulations, son. You certainly deserved the promotion."

Moss Hart to Stage AAF Show on Broadway

WASHINGTON—The Army Air Forces will have its own show on Broadway this autumn, the War Department announced this week.

Moss Hart will be author and director, and will draft his cast from stage stars now serving in the Air Forces.

Designed to "depict the true spirit of the Air Corps," the show will be a play with music and will have both serious and humorous moments. It will be presented for the benefit of Army Emergency Relief.

Mr. Hart, who is the author of "Lady in the Dark" and co-author of "The Man Who Came to Dinner" and "You Can't Take It with You" will stage the new show, as well as writing it. He has donated his services and royalties.

While the play is being written, the selection of actors, technicians, musicians, and stage hands is proceeding in Army Air Forces units throughout the nation. Only Air Corps personnel will take part. Offices have been opened at 67

Broad Street, New York City, with Lt. Col. Dudley S. Dean in charge as a representative of Gen. Henry H. Arnold, commanding general of the Army Air Forces. His assistants will be Lt. Irving Paul Lazar and Lt. Benjamin Landis.

The show, as yet untitled, is scheduled to open in New York City in October.

Rookies Given Guide At New Cumberland

NEW CUMBERLAND RECEPTION CENTER, Pa.—A new 24-page booklet, "Right Guide for Recruits," prepared by the post's public relations office, was distributed last week to all receiving companies for the use of casuals.

With a foreword by Lt. Col. William A. Fulmer, post commander, the handbook answers questions likely to be asked by recruits in their first days of Army life. It also includes a detailed map of the post, a history of the reception center and instructions for safeguarding military information.

Brazil's Prexy Gives U. S. Army More Coffee

WASHINGTON—More coffee for the Army! President Vargas of Brazil has given 400,000 sacks of it for the use of American Armed Forces on the battlefronts. The president announced last week that a letter from the Brazilian president conveying best wishes and friendship had offered the coffee for "the soldiers of your country."

Bragg Boasts Its Own 'Auto Factory'

FORT BRAGG, N. C.—Fort Bragg now has its own automobile factory. It is not a factory in the conventional meaning of the word, but one would not be exaggerating if the word "factory" is used to describe the Ordnance Service Command Shops here.

Completing the set-up was the recent opening of an inspection building, the only one of its kind in the Army. Equipment in this building is of the latest design with every detail worked out to a fine point.

Through this new structure, designed and placed in operation by Col. J. H. Spengler, chief of Fort Bragg's Ordnance Branch, Army vehicles brought in for repair must pass twice before released for use again. Between the time a vehicle first enters the building and when it leaves, it is made practically new, right down to a complete paint job.

Vehicles from some 20 different camps in the Fourth Service Command are serviced at this "factory."

Raised by hydraulic lifts, the vehicle on its repair journey is first inspected by men and women trained to find any defect in a motor or gear. A job order sheet is made out covering all weak points located, with safety features receiving particular attention. Skilled workmen make the needed repairs and send the ve-

hicle back to the inspection building for another check-up. As a final step in the process, the vehicle is given a rigid road test.

A complete history of all repairs is kept and all work noted by code numbers, showing the man or woman who did any particular job.

Another feature of the shops is the glass-cutting department, where windshields, doors and windows are replaced. The glass, which is shat-

ter-proof, is cut on a pattern and placed on a table where heated coils melt the ising-glass composition along the cutting lines. Excess glass is tapped off, the edges ground smooth and, finally, fitted into the various frames. This work is handled entirely by women.

Whether it is a bent frame or a loose screw needing attention, this "factory" can do the job.



ADDITION of a unique inspection building to the Ordnance Service Command Shops at Fort Bragg, N. C., gives this largest of Army Posts an automobile "factory" of its own. A general view of the new structure, the only one of its kind in the Army, is shown here.

—PRO Photo by Sgt. Joseph F. Schuettler

Field Manual for Stapler

Soon to Be Published as 'Little Helper' for Desk Worker

By John Fay

CAMP SHELBY, Miss.—Biding our time in the library of a Service Club one night last week while waiting for one of those events about which Service Club hostesses are wont to phone GI reporters, we noticed a company clerk scribbling away so fast that his two stripes were blurred into something that might have been a tech sergeant's chevrons.

"Why the blitzkrieg on Service Club stationery, friend?" we queried, parking ourselves beside the perspiring corporal.

Unloads Secrets

"I wouldn't tell anyone but you—you have a kind face," he said, taking another pencil and yet another piece of paper. "I've been selected from the thousands upon thousands of company clerks in the Army to write a field manual supplement on The Care and Cleaning of the Desk Stapler, M-1. You can't use my name because it's a secret mission."

We asked the author of this as yet unpublished Little Helper for the GI office worker how he came to be selected for a task of such importance.

"I don't like to brag," he came back, "but I know more about staplers, particularly the M-1 variety,

than any other man in the Army. Now, take this one."

Field Strip

With a lightning movement he snatched a small or carbine model stapler from a leather holster at his side. His eyes glowed as he fondled the dull metal object and went on:

"First there's the field strip, done in this manner. The M-1 Stapler is the company clerk's best friend in the field and its parts should never be forced. Simply grasp the magazine and punching mechanism (upper portion) with the right hand; the base plate or assembly with the left hand and pull upward, outward, inward, and across, also imparting a slight twisting motion. This will separate the base plate from the two upper groups.

"Then remove the two large screws from the punching mechanism cover to be lifted easily from its seat, exposing the punching mechanism proper, which consists of the striker, striker spring, striker spring guide, striker spring guide holder, feeder arm, feeder arm guide, feeder arm guide lock, feeder arm guide lock nut . . ."

Diagnosis

"Hold it!" we broke in. "We have two GI staplers, neither one of which staples correctly. To get down to fundamentals, what might be the matter with them?"

The corporal refused to give a professional diagnosis without seeing the machines, but suggested that the trouble might lie in staples jammed in the feeder, a damaged striker spring, a bent feeder arm, or a slack follower spring.

"But don't, whatever you do, monkey with the follower spring! Only ordnance can touch that," he warned us with the same tone he might have used in telling us to keep our head down in a live fire infiltration course.

"What's probably the matter, though, is that you don't oil the piece sufficiently. You've no idea how important that is. Why, only the other night I took off for the PX without cleaning and oiling my stapler after using it hard all day. When I came in next morning the follower slide was deeply pitted and it took me two days to get the fouling out of the striker spring guide!

Incantation Offered

"Think," he said, painting a black picture, "of the unfortunate company clerk out in the field with a dirty stapler. Bullets are flying, he has six AWOLs to record and five casualties attached for rations. His stapler doesn't work, so what can the poor devil do? His only re-

'Stars and Gripes' Makes Hit with Big Reviewers

FORT HAMILTON, N. Y.—A new soldier show "Stars and Gripes," put on at the War Department theater here last week, got favorable reviews from New York papers this week.

In the cast were a number of privates and non-coms who have earned their living in and around Broadway, such as Harold Rome, of "Pins and Needles," Martin Gabel, Ace Goodrich, Dave Sugarman and Ziggy Lane, this quartet being largely responsible for the show.

Wheeler Cadre to Get 'Extended' Weekends

CAMP WHEELER, Ga. — Long weekends from Saturday noon until Monday morning, for officers and cadre of the IRTC were ordered last week by Maj. Gen. Albert E. Brown. Approximately 25 per cent of the group will be given this privilege, provided their absence does not interfere with regular training schedules.

The weekend passes will not be available, however, during the nine-day bivouac which comes at the end of the 14-week training cycle.

What to Do if Captured Is Theme of Contest

CAMP BOWIE, Tex. — An essay contest is being conducted in the division this month on the subject "Why I should give only my name, rank and serial number to the enemy if captured." The best 100 words on this will win \$25, next best \$15 and third best \$10.

Company commanders will pass on the best entry in each company to the battalion commander, where the best entry of the battalion will be chosen. Battalion winners will go on to division headquarters for final judging.

course is to use paper clips!"

We pushed the muzzle of his M-1 (stapler) out of our face where it had wandered in his excitement and asked if he had just one more word of aid and comfort for our ailing staplers. He became suddenly confidential.

"Yes, there is this little incantation or spell which one utters while beating the striker of the stapler with a hammer," he whispered. "Sometimes it works. It goes like this:"

(Editor's Note: Words to the abovementioned incantation can be obtained from the writer on request, but they cannot be printed here. They resemble too closely the same words, with certain variations, used by myself while fishing, golfing, or on the tag end of a 25-mile hike.)

Engineers Design Giant Lawnmower For Airfields

WASHINGTON — A giant lawnmower that covers ground five or six times as fast as the biggest ones on golf courses has been developed and placed into production by the Corps of Engineers for use on air fields.

Grass is desirable on air fields, as it keeps down the dust otherwise raised by propeller "wash." However, grass cutting is a problem on busy small-trainer fields where hundreds of planes may be in the air at one time and ships constantly land and take off, sometimes across the grass as well as on regular runways. In consequence, a grass mower must do its job in a hurry and get out of the way.

Towed behind a weapons carrier, the new mower cuts a swath 21 feet wide at a top speed of 20 miles an hour. Test runs indicate it can cut 40 acres of weeds and grass an hour. Design of the new mower, which weighs 4,500 pounds, was worked out by the repairs and utilities branch of the Office of the Chief of Engineers. There are nine sections in the mower, which operate under wheel traction with flail type blades rotating flat against the ground.

He's in Guardhouse —By Installments

LONDON—Pvt. Harry Strunk, of Reading, Pa., fell in love with a British munitions worker, Helen Mifsud, and went AWOL to keep dates with her. He landed, naturally, in the guardhouse.

However, Miss Mifsud proceeded to get in touch with her man's CO, Lt. Col. Christian Claypool, and so pleased him that he postponed court martial for two hours so that Harry could get married. Also, he gave the bride away. Helen asked for a six-months permit for an installment honeymoon so that Harry could have at least one hour's freedom per week. The colonel said okay and promised a week's leave when the six months are up.

Paper Communion Cups Sent Chaplains Abroad

WASHINGTON—Two million individual paper communion cups have been purchased for the use of chaplains on transports and overseas stations, the War Department announced this week. Use of paper cups will solve the problem of loss and breakage and will also facilitate the administration of the elements in the service of Holy Communion, because of the increased demand for participation by military personnel. All port chaplains will be provided with ample supply of the cups to be distributed to the various units at ports of embarkation.

75th Division Holds First Mounted Review

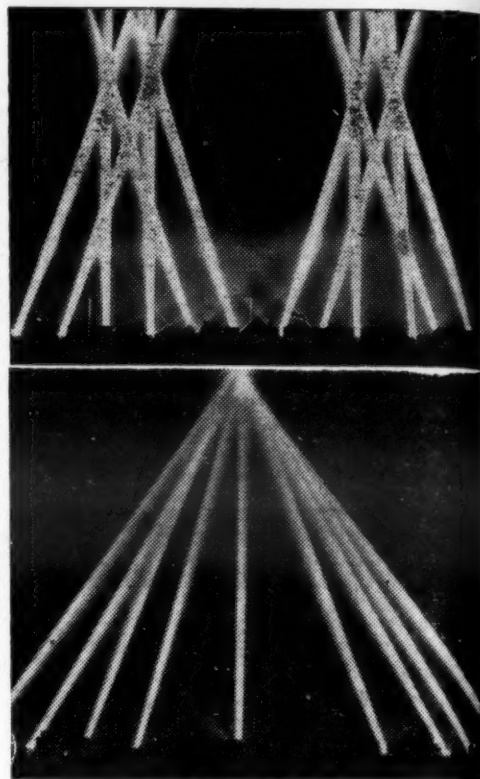
FORT LEONARD WOOD, Mo.—The first mounted review in the 2½-year history of this post was held last week, when the entire 75th Infantry Division paraded past its commander, Maj. Gen. W. S. Paul, in front of division headquarters.

All organic vehicles of the division passed the reviewing stand, with the foot troops of each company preceding its motor elements.

"Moonlight Cavalry" Operate Searchlights

AFTER A NIGHT of serious training of tracking simulated enemy planes over Camp Edwards, Mass., soldiers of the Anti-aircraft Artillery Training Center took time out to cut out intricate light patterns to prove that their searchlight weapon also can be a thing of beauty as well as a deadly weapon. The searchlight batteries are known as the "Moonlight Cavalry."

—Signal Corps Photo



CAMP EDWARDS, Mass.—Sweeping and criss-crossing nightly across the skies of Cape Cod are the 800,000,000 candlepower searchlights of the Anti-Aircraft Artillery Training Center which attract more attention than any other phase of anti-aircraft training at this camp.

These long, straight misty fingers of light which form a giant lattice work as they criss-cross each other in the skies are deadly and fatal to the plane which is being tracked and finally pinned to the sky.

Virtuoso Needed

Operation of these deadly beams is the task of the "Moonlight Cavalry," as searchlight batteries are commonly referred to in the Army. And far from simple is this job because it takes a virtual virtuoso with the touch of an accomplished violinist to follow a plane accurately on the ray sent up from a searchlight.

The basic searchlight is divided into three parts. First, there is the light itself, mounted on four wheels with a 60-inch diameter reflector so highly polished that only one type of substance may be used to shine it. Second, there is the control station. This part of the unit is set up quite some distance away from the light to give the light commander a better opportunity to observe the progress of the mission.

Nerve center of the light section is the control section. Here the light commander makes the target "pick-

up" and orders the light into action. Also at this section the searchlight trackers follow the plane across the sky, directing the actual motion of light by means of remote control.

Third section of the light section is the all-important power plant, which actually generates the "juice." Those power plants are located a considerable distance from both the control station and the searchlight.

Details Secret

"But how do you find the target in the first place," is a stock question asked searchlight men.

Most of the meticulous details are secret, but it is known that radar plays an important role in locating the plane. Generally speaking, direction, azimuth and elevation—all find their way to the control stations and in short order the "enemy" plane is spotted. Still blacked out, the control station operator peers into the black skies through powerful binoculars. The target is finally located and the stage set. A quick command and a "click" sends the huge searchlight into action.

The same thrill experienced by a gun battery when it scores a hit is felt by members of a searchlight unit when they make a pick-up. One moment a total blackout, the next, a great, yellow finger of light pins the plane to the sky. Other surrounding lights quickly join in and no matter how the pilot twists and turns his plane he can't escape.

'Alphabet Rations' Given 78th Troops on Bivouac

CAMP BUTNER, N. C. — When units of the 78th "Lightning" Division go on bivouac they forget about KP for awhile as they eat the Army's concentrated packaged rations.

On the first day, they get the regular "A" or garrison rations, but on each succeeding day they are supplied with "C" rations which come in cans, "K", which comes in small packages, and "D", two, small highly concentrated chocolate bars.

"C" rations furnish a breakfast of biscuits, confections, sugar and coffee, a dinner of meat and beans and a supper of meat and vegetable hash.

The "K" or parachute rations come in sealed brown packages impervious to heat and gas and which, if thrown overboard, will float ashore. They furnish a breakfast of biscuits, a fruit bar, veal and pork loaf, sugar, coffee, chewing gum and cigarettes; a dinner, including sugar, powdered lemon juice for beverage, cheddar cheese, dextrose tablets, cigarettes and chewing gum; a supper of corn pork loaf with carrots and apple flakes, bouillon powder, cigarettes, biscuits, a chocolate bar and chewing gum.

The "D" ration consists of a four-ounce chocolate bar, two to a meal. These rations are small, but they will give Johnny D. all he wants to eat. The chocolate bar contains 600 calories with the following ingredients: chocolate, sugar, skim milk powder, cocoa fat, oat flour, artificial

flavoring, and Vitamin A, called this-

min hydrochloride by dieticians. It tastes just like any other rich chocolate bar, but the soldier must eat it slowly, a half hour for each bar, or he'll get sick. If he would rather drink it, he can dissolve it by crumbling it into a cup of boiling water.

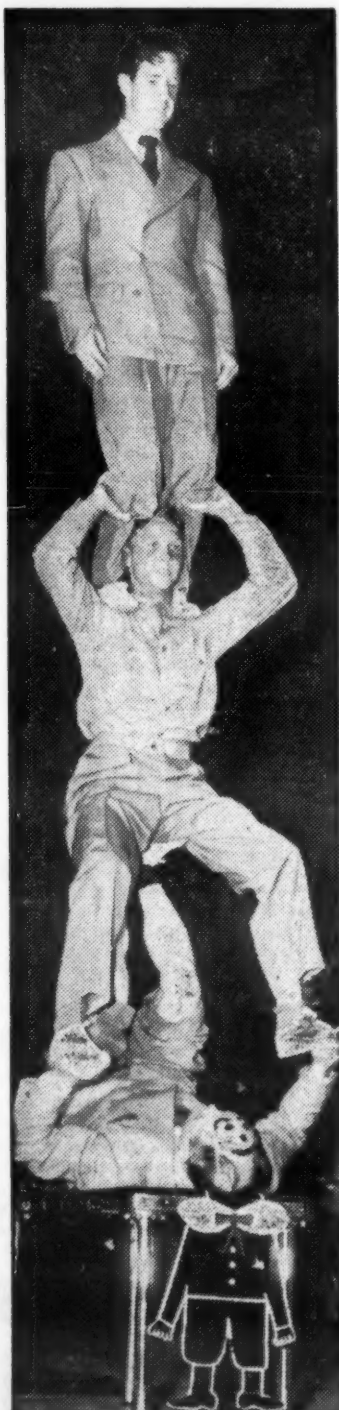
Army to Give Up Old Tires for Civilian Use

WASHINGTON—Acting Secretary of War Robert P. Patterson announced Thursday that the War Department had worked out with Rubber Director William Jeffers a plan whereby more than 100,000 Army tires—tires no longer suitable for severe Army service—will be made available through normal trade channels for civilian use.

Most of these tires, it was disclosed, are suitable for farm trucks but not good enough for tough Army wear. Almost all the tire are truck tires of the "off the road" type, few passenger car tires will be made available. The "off the road" tire is the familiar cleated type which is used for heavy duty cross-country service.

THE ORDNANCE DEPARTMENT

Army Service Forces, has saved approximately 366,000,000 gallons of fuel oil during the past year and



IT WAS REUNION for Pfc. Art Bassett (middle) when he was permitted to rejoin the world-famous Whitson Brothers acrobatic troupe during its eight performances at Fort Leonard Wood, Mo., as the featured act of a USO showbill. Before induction Bassett was a regular member of the act and since he came into the Army has kept in shape with a daily tumbling routine.

Mobile Laundries Prove Value; Tests to Save Fat Made More and More Are Activated By Seven Meat Experts

CAMP BLANDING, Fla.—Mobile laundry units, a comparatively new function of the Quartermaster Corps, although they made their advent during the first World War, have now been developed beyond the experimental stage, and new laundry outfits are being activated rapidly to supplement the relatively meager number which formerly existed. Typical of the new laundry units is the 691st Quartermaster Battalion

at Camp Blanding.

The laundry company is slightly larger in personnel than the standard company in one of the combat arms. Its members are armed with carbines and rifles, and about two-score motor vehicles are used to transport men and equipment.

Can Protect Themselves

Men in these organizations are now given a rigid basic training that qualifies them to protect and defend themselves adequately in the

combat zones. The physical conditioning program to which they are subject compares favorably with that of the infantry.

Technical schools are conducted in all phases of work connected with the operation, maintenance and supply of these units. Electricians, steam-fitters, general mechanics, automobile mechanics, drivers, and general maintenance men are given careful training.

Although a unit weighs approximately 10 tons and is towed by a 4-5 ton prime mover, it is surprisingly mobile and maneuverable, which is essential in that it must obtain water from very difficult sources.

Battalion Largest Unit

Commanding officer of the 691st Battalion and director of its training is Maj. Asa G. Atwater.

The largest laundry organization is the battalion. In many instances they are activated, trained and operated as separate companies; or, upon going into maneuvers or the theater of operations, they may operate as platoons.

A company, working two 8-hour shifts a day, will do the laundry for 48,000 men per week. Ordinarily one platoon can service a division and allow the men to hand in approximately the same amount of laundry that they would to a post laundry, but this depends on time and conditions.

These units also do bulk work (blankets, sheets, comforters) for hospitals and other organizations.

All of the work is done on the laundry trailers, which are complete with washer, extractor, tumblers for drying, and equipment for heating water.

Laundry outfits go right up to the combat zone to service troops on the front lines. One laundry company fought side by side with the infantry for weeks in defending an important position early in the war.

A soldier must be a member of a laundry unit to appreciate and understand that it is a real "he-man" outfit, and those troops which it serves thoroughly appreciate its value as a health-preserving and morale-building factor.

Edwards WACs Bivouac In Temporary Camp

CAMP EDWARDS, Mass.—Garbed in coveralls and carrying gas masks, Camp Edwards' company of WACs left its area this week in Army trucks for a bivouac area outside of camp, where they will spend at least one week living as field soldiers. The Camp Edwards WACs were the first in this country to leave a main camp for a bivouac camp in the field.

The women were transported by trucks each day to their various jobs in the camp. After completion of the day's duties they rode back to the bivouac area where swimming, boating and fishing programs were arranged. All company business, however, was conducted at the field headquarters, where Capt. Josephine T. Dyer, company commander, maintained her office.

Hopes to Fiddle While Hitler Burns

Pvt. Maury Michael Serman FORT DIX, N. J.—Co. H, of the Reception Center here, boasts of having the only soldier in captivity who sleeps with a \$25,000 violin. Thereby hangs a tale.

Pvt. Mischa Poznanski is the Jeep with the unusual bed-mate. At the mature age of six, he began the studies which were to become his life's work. He graduated from the Warsaw Conservatory and gave concerts in many parts of the world. In 1931 the American Consul in Palestine had him sent to the U. S. on a musical scholarship. Mischa was gold medalist in a competition sponsored by the N. Y. Conservatory of Musical Art. Subsequently, he gave recitals at Carnegie and Town Halls, and has taught at the Hambourg Conservatory in Toronto as well as played with the Cincinnati and St. Louis Symphony orchestras.

In addition to his rich musical background, Private Poznanski brings to us his experience as a first lieutenant in the Polish Army for 18 months.

In spite of all the above, the interesting part of his story deals with the acquisition of his most prized possession. In the years following Hitler's rise to power, one of the best known merchants in Berlin was a man by the name of Wertheim who owned a Stradivarius violin made in 1728. In order to insure not having

CAMP GRANT, Ill.—That well-known stomach the Army travels on is today the world's biggest consumer of fat and as such is in a position to do something about shortages of lard, butter and other fats. To relieve these serious shortages, seven trouble shooters of the National Live Stock and Meat Board

are now conducting research experiments at Camp Grant to find new ways of conserving fat used in the Army.

Camp Grant was chosen as site for the experiments because of its model facility for conducting the tests with standard Army field equipment as well as under simulated overseas conditions.

While the results of their tests remain to be announced, need for intensive fat conservation throughout the Army was stated to be of the utmost importance by board spokesmen. The meat experts pointed out that even a little additional saving of fat will have tremendous consequences due to the gigantic amount of meat used by the Army every day.

Two main needs guide the experts throughout their research. Methods of conserving fat in the Army must be simple, so that Army cooks can apply them under all sorts of conditions. Secondly, the fat yielded by conservation methods must be all-purpose, usable for everything ordinarily issued fats are being used for.

Once the board passes on to the Quartermaster General its recommendations, harassed mess sergeants in the field, miles away from their supply organization, may discover that they can bake one day's ration of bread, rolls, cake or pie from the shortening they saved from last night's beef dinner.

To find new conservation methods and to test old ones under Army conditions, meat boards members are investigating various methods of trimming, grinding and rendering fat. While conducting their tests throughout the post's mess kitchens and field ranges, each step is being photographed by the Signal Corps to provide illustrations for a brief training manual on how to save fat in the Army.

Past achievements of these experts who have acted as the Army's meat trouble shooters for some time are impressive. To mention one of them it should be noted that the board justly takes credit for recommending to the Army a standard method of cutting meat that has enabled all of a camp's mess halls to feed thousands of soldiers the same cut and quality of meat at one meal.

Private Given 5 Years For Talking Too Much

LONDON—Pvt. Arthur J. Ingrebretson, of the American Eighth Air Force in England, has been sentenced by a military court martial to five years' imprisonment for disclosing details of a new-type combat plane, in conversation with two RAF non-commissioned officers and in the presence of civilians.

While the evidence showed that Ingrebretson had been drinking and that the disclosures were the result of carelessness, the reviewing authority declared that the information he disclosed might have impaired the effectiveness of the planes and also resulted in serious loss of life among American troops.

Gyro-Stabilizer Lets Our Tanks Fire on Move

WASHINGTON—A new gyro-stabilizer aiming device, now being fitted to American tanks, is said to have shown in tests and in actual combat an increase of several hundred percent in the accuracy of firing while the tanks are in motion.

The robot-stabilizer was developed by the Westinghouse Company in answer to a request made to American industry by the Army Ordnance Department. The German practice in firing from tanks is to progress in groups in a zigzag advance, one stopping to fire while the others advance. The new robot enables even the largest tanks to fire while racing at full speed over any battlefield, something no enemy tank is able to do.

Another advantage is also provided. A tank which comes to a dead stop is an excellent target for planes and artillery. With the new stabilizer, American tanks can be kept always in motion and hence are difficult targets.

Ranger Chief Turns Down Silver Leaf

WITH THE UNITED STATES ARMY IN SOUTHERN SICILY—Lt. Col. William O. Darby, leader of the American Rangers, turned down Lt. Gen. George S. Patton's offer of a full colonelcy and the command of an infantry combat command. He did accept a Distinguished Service Cross.

"I feel that I could do more good with my Ranger boys than I could do with a combat team," Colonel Darby explained. This is the third time he has rejected similar offers, two of these coming during the Tunisian campaign.

Colonel Darby and 18 Rangers cornered 52 Italian officers in a hotel at Gela, went in after them with hand grenades and the Italians came out with hands up. The Rangers captured 500 prisoners in Gela.

Retirement Age Down To 61 in French Army

ALGIERS—A campaign instituted by Gen. Charles de Gaulle to put younger officers in command in the French army showed its results at a meeting of the French Committee of National Liberation. More than 400 officers, including at least a score of generals, will be retired. The mandatory retirement age for generals was reduced by four years, to 61, though this will not apply to staff officers and those in administrative positions, and hence will not effect Gen. Henri Honore Giraud.

'Gas House Gang,' CWS Song, Passed Around

WASHINGTON—"The Gas House Gang," the new Chemical Warfare song, is now being distributed to all CSW installations in song sheets and electrical transcriptions. This is at the wish of Maj. Gen. William N. Porter, chief of the Chemical Warfare Service.

Written by Sgt. Paul McKenzie, Jr., of the CSW School at Edgewood Arsenal, and dedicated to General Porter, the song was first introduced on "Pass in Review," a program broadcast from the Edgewood Arsenal. Here are the words of the song:

"THE GAS HOUSE GANG"

When the infantry, artillery
And all the engineers
See they can't pass
They call for Gas,
Then, our crowd appears.
The smoke clouds roll
Toward our goal,
And through the flaming breeze,
We'll turn the tide, so
Step aside
For the Chemical Companies.

Chorus

We're the Gas House Gang.
That's what we're called in slang.
So that's the name we choose.
You can sing about the field artillery
And infantry they use,
But when the going's rough,
And things are tough,
We know just what to do.
Oh! We hide the infantry
And artillery
Till the party's through.
We're the Gas House Gang,
The Chemical Shebang,
And that's the gang to
See it through.

We're the answer to the what to do
When things are not so good.
We'll form a cloud
To hide our crowd
In valley, ocean or wood.
When e'er we go to meet the foe
On this we all agree,
We'll end the fray and
Save the day
With the Chemical Companies.

Lightning Division Claims GI Insurance Record

CAMP BUTNER, N. C.—Enlisted men of the 78th Lightning Division have set one of the highest—if not the highest—records in the Army in subscribing to National Service Life Insurance. Latest reports of unit insurance officers show that at the end of June 99.3 per cent of the enlisted personnel of the division had signed up for a total of \$136,869,500 in insurance, with less than 150 soldiers having no insurance at all.

Company H, 2nd Battalion, 311th Infantry, commanded by Capt. Raymond A. Jackson, leads the division with every man signed up with the limit of \$10,000. Each member of this unit has also signed up for one, or more, War Bonds.

Guide Book Given Troops On Way to Attack Sicily

AN ALLIED COMMAND POST IN NORTH AFRICA—Helping the American forces in their invasion of Sicily is a little guide book which was issued just previous to the invasion.

The book contains a description of the island, facts of its history, currency information, disease warnings, pictures and a language dictionary. A foreword by Gen. Dwight T. Eisenhower noted that the first attack was being made on enemy territory and warned that it would probably be difficult, but spoke encouragingly of the teamwork with the Allied forces which he knew would bring success.

this wonderful instrument in the hands of the Barbarians, he entrusted it to Mischa, knowing that he was leaving the country, and that he would appreciate its value.

Wertheim also gave him a thousand dollars for taking care of the fiddle for him. About a year after leaving Germany our hero heard that the merchant had been killed in a concentration camp for allowing the priceless instrument to get away.

Private Poznanski, while practicing one day at the 2nd Bn. day room, was reminded that he had overlooked a few small details while assigned to a garbage detail earlier in the day. He went back to work, and carried garbage in one hand, and his \$25,000 fiddle in the other.

Incidentally, in case any of you guys get the wrong idea, he sleeps with the violin in order to protect it from dampness.



PVT. MISCHA POZNANSKI
He sleeps with the violin

—Photo by Pfc. Alex Paal

GIs Asked What Star Spangled Banter Job They Want

By Sgt. Bill Mauldin
45th Division

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J.—A new plan, undertaken at the AAFTC, BTCT here last week, makes it possible for a man who believes he might serve the Army better in some other capacity than that in which he is now placed to submit his ideas to the authorities.

Postcards, addressed to the Commanding General, AAFTC, Greensboro, N. C., have been made available to all personnel. They read as follows:

TELL US ABOUT IT!

I believe I'm a square peg in a round hole. My present duties are
I believe that I could best aid the Army Air Forces by performing duties:

First Choice.....

Second Choice.....

Third Choice.....

No. 922

Grade Name ASSN

Organization Station

Army officials emphasize that personnel may not be transferred to other duties merely as a matter of personal preference, and that transfers are not made unless it is shown that they will be to the advantage of the Army.

Furlough Policy Stated by WD

WASHINGTON—Within the limitations imposed by urgent military necessity, it is the policy of the War Department to grant furloughs to enlisted men before going overseas if they have had no furlough during the preceding six months, it was emphasized this week.

Enlisted men, regardless of length of service, who have had no furlough since their call to active duty, are also granted furlough prior to overseas assignment, within the same limitations.

The importance of granting these furloughs has been stressed to all commanders. They have been urged to withhold furloughs only where the military situation permits no other recourse.

78th Headquarters Co. Commended by General

CAMP BUTNER, N. C.—The 78th Lightning Division Headquarters Company and Maj. Arthur H. Ostreich, Headquarters Commandant, were commended by Maj. Gen. Edwin P. Parker, Jr., commanding general of the 78th Lightning Division for the showings of Headquarters Company in the recent MTP tests conducted by XII Corps.

General Parker said that the company had no unsatisfactory grades, but had a high percentage of excellent ratings.

Camp Edison to Drop Signal Corps Functions

FORT MONMOUTH, N. J.—It was announced from Washington last week that Camp Edison, which has been used for more than 18 months as a basic training area for Signal Corps inductees, would be abandoned for Signal Corps purposes. Camp Edison has been taken over by the Army Service Forces for a use not yet revealed.

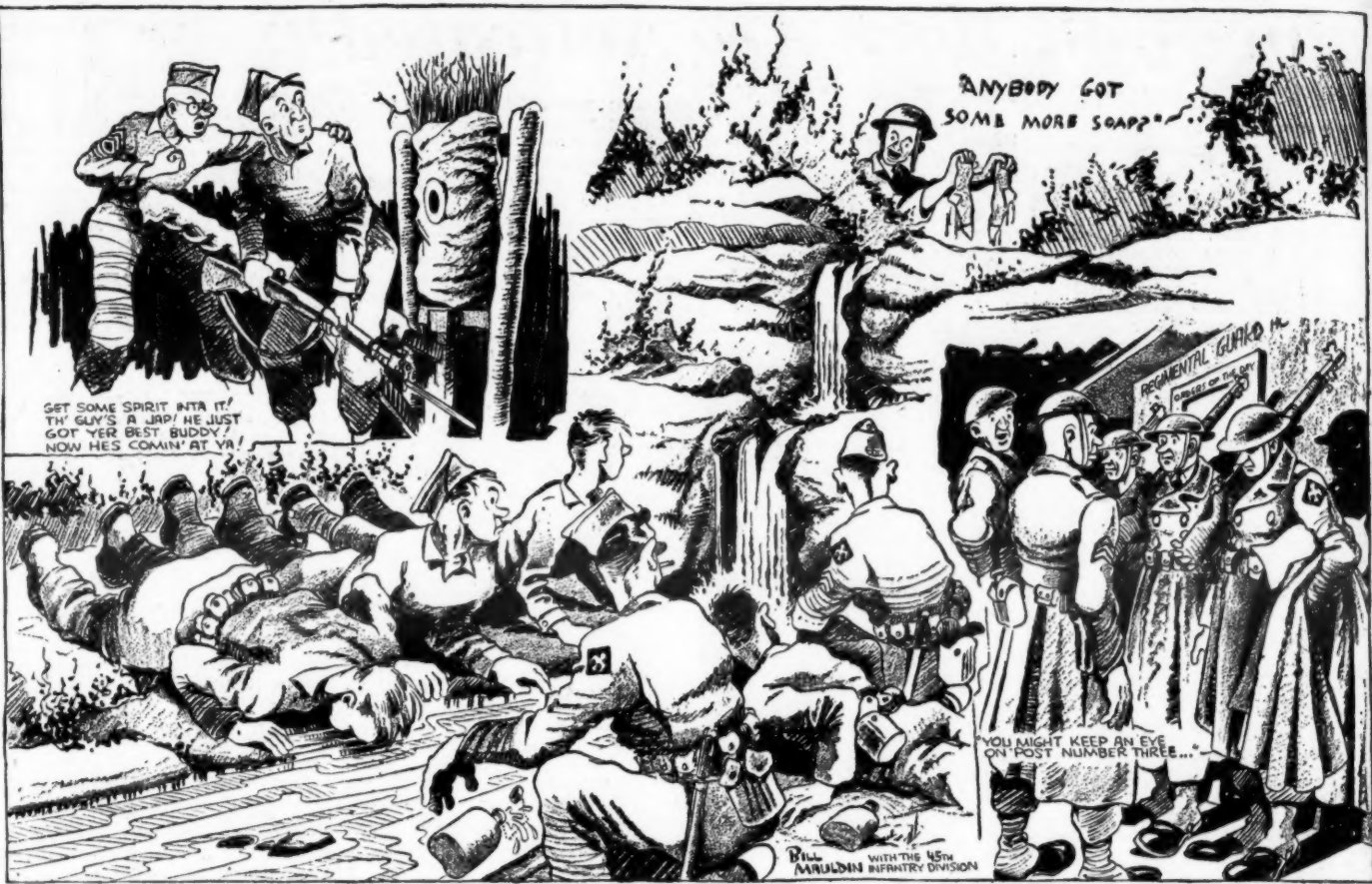
A decrease in the total strength at Fort Monmouth and its subposts, as well as a reduction in some training activities, is given for the reason for the new arrangements.

Aussie

By Cpl. Fitzgerald
Camp Edwards, Mass.



"Auxiliary Baggage—you're out of uniform! Offspring are not to be worn at formal inspections."



Blanding Bugle

By Opl. Russell R. McGuire
CAMP BLANDING, Fla.—Pvt. Freddie A. Padrick has apparently taken a strong liking to the fire trucks he sees all day as dispatcher for Camp Blanding's fire department. When his wife came to live in nearby Gainesville, they picked out an apartment—next door to Gainesville's Fire Station No. 2!

The old story about the sentry who missed his cue and ordered "Look who's here!" instead of "Who goes there?" was topped by a recruit in the artillery of the 66th Division, who halted his corporal of the guard with the order, "Advance and recognize me!"

Topkick Jim Canning, 263rd Engineer Battalion, thought he'd surprise WAAC Auxiliary Mary Diane Zubal with a birthday party and cake at the Engineers' Castle Club. Any non-G. I. who thinks all soldiers fear topkicks just doesn't know the Castle Club members, who found and ate the cake in advance.

Roll Call

CAMP CLAIBORNE, La.—A roll call of the 361st Engineer Regiment, in the EUTC, would bring out the names of Hitler, Goering and Duce. The men are T/Cpl. Turney G. Hitler, Pfs. T. S. Goering and T/Sgt. Hiram D. Duce. Pvt. William Fuehrer was also in the regiment, but was transferred a little time ago.

Dirty Gerty's Fame Spreading to Civilians

WASHINGTON—With rapid strides, "Dirty Gerty," this year's successor to "Mademoiselle from Armentieres," is approaching fame. (See Army Times, July 3, for music.) From Africa come additional lyrics by Sgt. Paul Reif who, together with

'This Is the Army' Given Trial

CAMP SANTA ANITA, Calif.—Irving Berlin has concluded a week's appearance with a small unit of his soldier show, "This Is The Army," here preparatory to going overseas. Under Berlin's and M/Sgt. Robert Sidney's direction, Berlin and this smaller unit of the soldier show have been trying out new and old material for 1200 soldiers nightly, preparatory to playing an abbreviated version of "This Is The Army" for the servicemen in the European and African Theatres of war.

Meanwhile the picture version of their soldier show, which has just been completed, produced in Technicolor by Warner Bros. for Army Emergency Relief, has been going through its final cutting stages, preparatory to its world premiere in New York at the Hollywood Theatre July 28.

The tryout performances of this first overseas unit have been played in a unique theatre under the grand stand of the famed Santa Anita race track, which has been turned into an Army base.

Executives to Live GI Life at Edwards

CAMP EDWARDS, Mass.—Several hundred industrial executives of the associated industries of Massachusetts, many of them with sons in the service, will come to the camp here on July 28 and 29, "to go GI for a day" as amphibian engineers, anti aircraft troops and Air Corps soldiers.

Some of the men are manufacturing the invasion barges, ammunition and other fighting equipment their sons are using in training and in actual combat. They will be treated as newly-arrived rookies and will go through the regular training routine, standing every formation a soldier does.

Millionth Serviceman Visits Pepsi-Cola Center

WASHINGTON—The Pepsi-Cola center for servicemen, at Fourteenth and G Streets N.W., entertained its millionth visitor in 10 months of operation last week when Pfc. Ruth Labaugh, Marine Corps Women's Reserves, was presented with a \$25 war bond by Manager Owen Cline. The center, supervised by the War Hospitality Committee, was opened last October 7.

Pvt. William Russell and Sgt. Jack Goldstein, is a co-author of the favorite song of the North African theater and shares in its copyright. It is being featured by songstress Josephine Baker over an African radio station.

Commercial Chorus:

DIRTY GERTY FROM BIZERTE
Says she's twenty, tho' she's thirty.
When she wears her satin shirtie,
All the G.I.'s holler "Mercy!"
Tho' she'll smile in style so flirty
All her boy-friends' faces hurtle,
'Cause she's always most alert!...
DIRTY GERTY FROM BIZERTE.

DIRTY GERTY dressed in khaki—
What a gal—she's really waacky:
In her "jeep" that keeps a-pouncin'
You should see her Jersey-Bouncin'.
DIRTY GERTY met a "looney"
Made him stop to buy chop suey,
Ate so much, she took his "shirty"...

DIRTY GERTY FROM BIZERTE
Who's the gal whose name is spoken
From Algiers back to Hoboken?
'Cest fin!—she'll say so sweetly,
Ah, mais oui—she'll do it neaty.
You don't have to have three guesses,
We all know where her address is:
It's that famous G.I. skirty—
DIRTY GERTY FROM BIZERTE.

Soldier Chorus:

DIRTY GERTY FROM BIZERTE
Hid a mouse trap 'neath her skirtie,
Strapped it on her knee-cap purty,
Baited it with "Fleur-de-Flirtie!"
Made her boy-friends' fingers hurtle;
Made her boy-friends' most alerty;
She was voted in Bizerite
'Miss Latrine'—for Nineteen-thirty!
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BPR Seeking GI Slangage

WASHINGTON—The War Department Bureau of Public Relations is looking for new slang terms, the idea being to issue a complete glossary of Army slang.

It is suggested that anyone who uses, or is familiar with, slang expressions submit a list to his post public relations officer. The slang expression must be known and understood by at least two persons.

Examples include such phrases as "armored cow," "Army banjo," "battery acid," "on the beam."

Gen Gerhardt Given Foreign Assignment

CAMP WHITE, Ore. — Maj. Gen. Charles H. Gerhardt, Commanding Officer of the Fir Tree Division, commended troops of the division in announcing his departure for a foreign assignment.

"Commanders come and commanders go," General Gerhardt said, "and a commander can have some small influence on a command, but it is the troops themselves that make an outfit what it is."

Victory Vignettes

PINE CAMP, N. Y.—The 5th Armored Division was formally welcomed to Pine Camp at a gala dancing party held at the camp sports arena. Maj. Gen. Lunsford E. Oliver, commanding general of the division, and Mrs. Edna Wilson, chief hostess of the Service Club, which sponsored the event, led the grand march.

Tank crews from Company I of the 34th Armored Regiment who went to Hollywood last winter to help make the training film "Crack That Tank" had an opportunity to see themselves in action for the first time when they reached Pine Camp. They found the picture in the post film library's collection of over 800 training films. Infantry and artillery units from the division also took part in the scenes filmed.

First unit newspaper to make its appearance in the 5th Armored Division's new home at Pine Camp is "The Projectile," a weekly mimeographed paper published by the 47th Armored Field Artillery Battalion.

'Musical Jeep' Is Training Aid

CAMP BOWIE, Tex.—Versatile is the word for the 64th Medical Regiment's "Musical Jeep."

Sporting a public address system which uses two amplifiers fixed to the two rear fenders, the jeep is used in convoy duty where it sends instructions to drivers and keeps the convoy together. In the motor pool it is used to instruct new drivers. It is utilized for recreational purposes within the regiment. The device has been used throughout the post on special occasions.

Radio mechanism itself is installed between the two front seats of the jeep and power is generated through the motor. The radio has a sending strength of nearly one mile while clear reception is attained up to 600 yards.

Also included in the list of uses under which the system may operate is sound effects. Records of war noises, such as big guns, dynamite, strafing airplanes and small arms fire, are used in the instruction of the men to accustom them to the noises of battle. Records are loaned from the Camp Bowie Training Film Library.

Alaskan Soldiers Work In Salmon Canneries

ALASKA—Men from one of the camps near the salmon canneries are being used to supply the labor shortage there. Five men each week are being granted seven-day furloughs to work in the canneries. Ninety cents per hour is being paid for labor at the canneries.

Private Van Dorn

By Robbie
The Checkerboard, Camp Van Dorn, Miss.



Private Eightball

By Cpl. Lin Streeter
Fort Dix, N. J.



Wanted

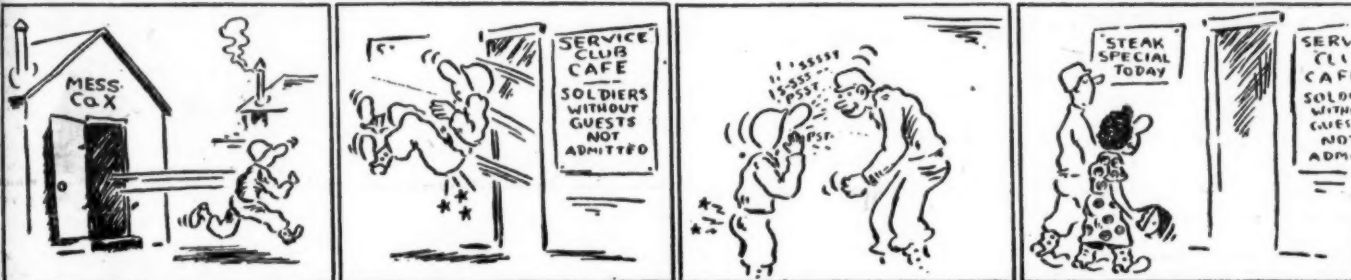
POCATELLO, Idaho—Cpl. Don Perkins, in his column in the Army Air base paper, suggests that soldiers in the United States need handbooks similar to those issued to men going overseas. "What does a Brooklyn boy know about cowboys?" he asks. "And how is a lad from Miami going to understand the intricacies of a coal stove?"

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Army Quiz

- What is the greatest weight a military plane now in use can carry?
A. 40,000 pounds?
B. 100,000 pounds?
C. 140,000 pounds?
- When rendering a hand salute properly the forearm is inclined at an angle of
A. 65 degrees?
B. 45 degrees?
C. 30 degrees?
- In a P-39 Airacobra the pilot sits
A. In front of the engine?
B. Behind the engine?
C. Over the engine?
- In Army terminology BOQ stands for
A. Battalion on Quarters?
B. Battery on Qui Vive?
C. Bachelor Officers' Quarters?
- The German soldier starts his marching movements on the right foot, opposite of the American Army.
True? False?
- A certain British possession is now occupied by the Germans.
Is it
A. Crete?
B. The Channel Islands?
C. The Orkney Islands?
- The revolution in Germany in 1918 did not break out until the First World War ended.
True? False?
- In the chancel of a church the flag of the United States should be placed
A. On the right side?
B. In the center?
C. On the left side?
- Texas has a higher proportion of her population in the American armed forces than any other state.

What's Wrong?



This squad leader is giving orders to his men before jumping off in a push on Sicily. How many errors can you find? (Answers on page 16.)

True? False?

- What was the greatest length of the Western Front occupied by American troops in World War I?
A. 83 miles?
B. 6 miles?
C. 942 miles?
(Answers on Page 16)

MORE THAN 330,000 tons of vegetables and fruits were confiscated by the Nazis in Holland in 1942.

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Wrong Horse Won!

Jezrahel-Occupy Run One-Two in Futurity

WASHINGTON—John Marsch was certain he had the winner of the \$60,060 Arlington Futurity in his juvenile Occupy. In Broadcloth and Jezrahel he had a couple of so-so youngsters, so he sent them all to the post in hopes of making a sweep.

The Marsch entry ran one-two in the race, but it was the lightly regarded Jezrahel who claimed the \$48,650 winner's share, while his illustrious stablemate, Occupy, was forced to settle for the \$6,000 place money.

Plowing home through the muddy stretch with tremendous strides, the little grey gelding overhauled Occupy in the last 50 yards to win by half a length.

The heavily-backed entry paid \$4.20, \$3.60, \$2.60, while Alahorter, who couldn't keep up with the leaders, paid \$4.60 to show.

Apache Wins Easily

While Jezrahel was upsetting the favorite in Chicago, the favorite was driving home to a length win over Pompon in the \$8,830 Fleetwing Handicap at Jamaica.

Apache may have had some racing luck in winning the six-furlong sprint as With Regards was left at the post. Apache broke on top to throw off the challenges of Double-rab and Kingfisher and then lasted to beat off the surprise rush of Pompon.

Apache paid \$4.20, \$3.10, \$2.40; Pompon, \$5.60, \$2.90; Kingfisher, \$2.50.

The Lazy F Ranch's Cocopet, a \$900 yearling, broke a track record as she scored her first stake triumph at Suffolk Downs in the Mayflower Stakes, a \$15,000-added dash of five and a half furlongs for juveniles.

Cocopet ran the distance in 1:04 3/5 to beat Mrs. Ames by two and a half lengths. Rodney Stone showed. Cocopet paid \$18.40, \$6.60, \$5.00; Mrs. Ames, \$3, \$3; Rodney Stone, \$3.

Haile Overlooked

Haile, overlooked in the betting race home a three-length winner over Lochinvar in the Peanuts Handicap on the Empire City program. Haile paid \$16.20, \$5.50; Lochinvar, \$3.40. There was no show money in the four-horse field.

Sollure at last managed to finish better than second after collecting place money three times and beat Fair Call by two lengths in the Suffolk Down's Pearl Harbor Purse. Sollure paid \$9.20, \$4.40, \$2.40; Fair Call, \$4.20, \$2.40; Valdina Alpha, \$2.20.

Askmenow romped home ahead of Occupation in the \$5,000 Challenger Purse at Washington Park. Askmenow paid \$8.60, \$2.60, \$2.40; Occupation, \$2.60, \$2.20; Bourmont, \$3.40. Two races up on the same program, Tellmenow had romped home in a three-year-old race to pay \$17.80. Chicago track fans should no longer be in doubt.

Despite a recent impressive victory, Bar Keep went to the post a 6-1 choice and returned his backers \$14.20, \$6.80, \$5.10 in winning the Ardmore Purse at Garden State Park. Bar Keep ran the six-furlong distance in 1:12, best time for the meeting. Bayborough, an outsider, paid \$13.10, \$9.20 place, while long-shot Lord Win paid \$17.50 show.

\$185.90 Longest

Westwood Belle revived the faith

of the long-shot bettors by romping home at a \$185.90 price in the opening race at Empire City. Combined with the favorite White Time in the second race, the daily double was \$641.10 to the 92 ticket holders.

Anthemion on the same program turned in her fourth win in eight starts to beat Night Glow in the Melisande Handicap. Proving that she was more than a sprinter, the filly raced home a four-length winner in two of the four losing starts. She paid \$28, \$10.80, \$7.60; Night Glow, \$6.10, \$4.20; Blue Flight, \$6.90.

Umpire Banished Following Dispute

MIAMI, Fla.—"You're out," roared the umpire.

"I'm safe."

"You're out."

"He was safe," roared another umpire.

"He was out."

"No, he wasn't but you're out of the game," roared the second umpire.

Honest, it really happened.

Dave Marcus, base umpire,

called Ken Rothrock of the 26th

Wing out at second on an attempted double play. Rothrock

disagreed violently and Earl Hal-

stead, plate umpire, backed him

up.

When Marcus stuck by his guns,

Halstead ordered him to the show-

ers, and ruled Rothrock safe.

Who won? Oh, yes, the Wingers

went on from there to win

from the Seventh Naval District,

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Boxers in Armed Forces Dominate New Ring Listing

WASHINGTON—Jimmy Bivins is virtually the "duration champion" of the heavyweight division according to the new quarterly ratings announced by the National Boxing Association.

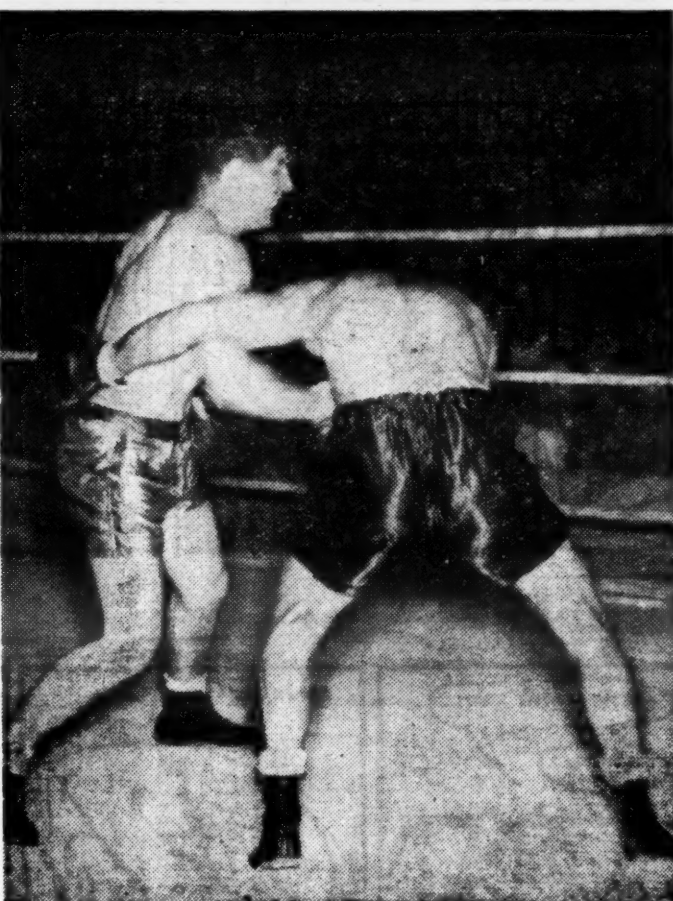
Although Bivins is rated a logical contender for the title he is rated behind Joe Louis, Billy Conn and Melio Bettina, who are all in the Army, in the heavyweight picture.

Boxers serving in the armed forces dominate the list. Titles which have been "frozen" for the duration include Louis, Light-heavyweight Gus Lesnevich of the Coast Guard and Middleweight Tony Zale and Welterweight Freddie Cochrane of the Navy.

Other heavyweights listed were Tami Mourieha, Lee Savold and Turkey Thompson.

No lightweight title-holder was listed. It is hoped a match can be arranged between Sammy Angott, retired champion, and Bob Montgomery, who wears the New York version of the crown. Slugger White and Beau Jack also fit in the picture.

Most of the fighters listed were veterans. In former listings there were always a few youngsters—but in most cases they are now in the armed services.



LANDING one of the many hard rights to the mid-riff which gave Cpl. Pasquale R. Vendrillo a clear-cut decision over Marine Al Thornton. Vendrillo's team from the Medical Replacement Training Center, Camp Pickett, Va., put the end to the five-straight winning streak of the leathernecks. The Camp Pickett team won 3 1/2-2 1/2.

Two Army Clubs Challenge Navy for Baseball Crown

WASHINGTON—The Navy boasts two candidates for the national servicemen's baseball championship, the Norfolk and the Great Lakes Naval Training Stations clubs, but the Army also has two representatives who are eyeing the mythical crown—and who have records to back their claims.

The New Cumberland (Pa.) Army Reception Center nine placed a substantial bid for the crown by downing the Norfolk club by a 6-2 score behind the hurling of Lefty Paul Minner. They proved the win was no fluke by repeating behind the eight-hit twirling of Tommy Hughes to win the next day by a 4-2 score.

The double win gave the New Cumberland club a nice season's record of 23 wins and 3 losses. One of the losses was at the hands of the Washington Senators who nosed them out by a 2-1 score recently.

The 12th Armored Division baseball club took a terrific 11-0 pasting from the Chicago Cubs but it still doesn't dampen the impressive record of 32 wins out of the 37 games the club has played.

Cpl. Jimmy Reese, ex-Cardinal, who has managed the 12th club, was recently given his discharge from the Army. He immediately applied for a Red Cross position and will probably continue managing the club

as a recreational director.

The club had piled up a record of one loss in 29 games before it dropped one to the Great Lakes nine on a swing through Indiana and Illinois.

The Great Lakes nine has an impressive record. It has taken the measure of most service clubs and has also beaten some major league clubs. The Norfolk nine is in about the same class with a record of 49 wins and 11 losses.

It has been suggested that with a couple of West Coast representatives a tournament featuring these four teams would display the major league stars of pre-war baseball.

Field Meet With All-Army Events Held at Ft. Knox

FORT KNOX, Ky.—A field meet with an all-Army flavor was the feature of the third birthday anniversary of the 87th Armored Field Artillery.

Among the events on the unique Bushmaster Battalion program was guiding a huge M7 with its 105-mm. howitzer down a zig-zag course between balanced shell-containers which allowed the vehicle one-inch clearance. The winner drove the quarter-mile, 22-obstacle course in 8 min., 6 sec.

Another event saw 10-men teams race up a 150-foot hill towing 2 1/2-ton, 6x6 Army trucks.

Maybe changing tires is now ancient history to you but memories probably linger of sharp words and smashed fingers. A couple of huskies won the tire wrestling contest by changing the inside center dual tire on a truck in 8 min., 30 sec.

Col. D. E. Dwyre will vouch for the tug part in the tug-of-war. He was tugged a considerable distance in the brass-stripe contest.

In another contest 100 105-mm. shell containers were unloaded, passed 50 yards and reloaded in another truck. The final contest saw men pitch grenades into a barrel at a distance of 30 yards.

Ray Billows Wins N. Y. Golf Title

LAKE PLACID, N. Y.—Ray Billows, one-time Cinderella kid of golf, won the New York State amateur championship for the fifth time but it took great putting to beat Joe Ruszas, the other finalist.

Joe Ruszas had been discounted in big-time golf a few months ago when he lost a hand in an accident, but despite his unorthodox style he made Billows display the flashiest putting of the tournament in winning a 2-and-1 verdict.

Miami Boasts Baseball Stars

MIAMI BEACH—Baseball enthusiasts could have a field day picking pennant contenders if they focused their attention on Miami Beach—for the post can boast more than its share of big leaguers.

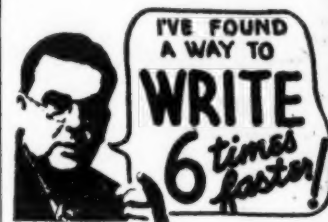
Some of the soldier-ball players trained here as rookies—others as officer candidates or officers—before scattering to the four corners of the war-embroidered world.

Here is how an AAFTC Miami Beach baseball team could shape up: George "Birdie" Tebbets, Detroit Tigers, catcher; the pitching chores divided between Johnny Beazley, St. Louis Cards; Hugh Mulcahy, Philadelphia Phils; Milt Shoffner, Cincinnati Reds; Carl Fisher, Cleveland Indians; Sheldon Jones, New York Giants, and Clarence Iott, St. Louis Browns. First base or left field could be handled by Greenberg, Detroit Tigers; the rest of the infield by Burgess Whitehead, New York Giants, second base; Frank Croucher, Washington Senators, shortstop; and Bill Hunicutt, Washington Senators, third.

The only major outfielder is Taft Wright, Chicago White Sox. Other fly chasers are Harry Knoblock of Houston, Texas league; Jim Acton, Western league; Buster Kinard, South Atlantic league, and Red Spraul, Appalachian league.

Beau Jack Scores Sixth Round Kayo

PHILADELPHIA.—Beau Jack took another successful step on the comeback trail by scoring a sixth round knockout in his match with Johnny Hutchinson.



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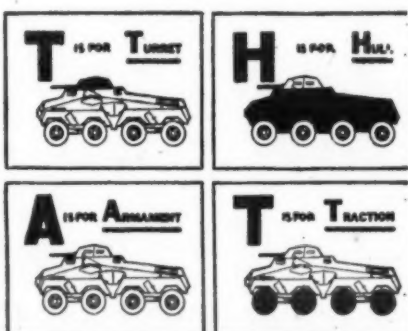
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SPORTS CHAT



SHEPPARD FIELD, Tex.—Boasting a colorful array of putter-and-club stars a large field of golfers teed off last Sunday in a qualifying medal play round for the post championship. Many state and regional golf champions were listed on the player's roster.

CAMP CAMPBELL, Ky.—The 12th Armored Division Hell Cat boxing team is looking for trouble. With four straight wins under their belts it is advertising for opposition.

KEESLER FIELD, Miss.—Pvt. Carl's Clinard was the first pitcher in Keesler Field's two-year sport's history to twirl a no-hit, no-run game. He struck out 12, hit one and walked one in pitching the masterpiece.

CAMP ELLIS, Ill.—"No Hit" Pat Davidson of the Pruett Farmers, Galesburg, held the Camp Ellis Mud-hens to five hits in winning by a 3-2 score.

CAMP HOWZE, Tex.—Champion leather slingers of the entire 86th Infantry Division were decided recently when the 14 finalists in the Silver Gloves boxing tournament flashed in the seven windup bouts. The tournament has been running for the past seven weeks with the semi-finals held two days after Independence Day.

CAMP STEWART, Ga.—Pvt. Jim Bonner is a former boxer and fight fan but he has had his fill of the art of self-defense. It seems Bonner was the third man in the ring for eight bouts each Friday night over a four-month period which adds up to a total of about 125 slug-fests.

CAMP BUTNER.—The Durham Bulls have made the 144th Station Hospital "Bulls" one of the classiest looking clubs on the field. The outfit gave them 11 uniforms. The uniforms had a marked effect—the team has won both of its games.

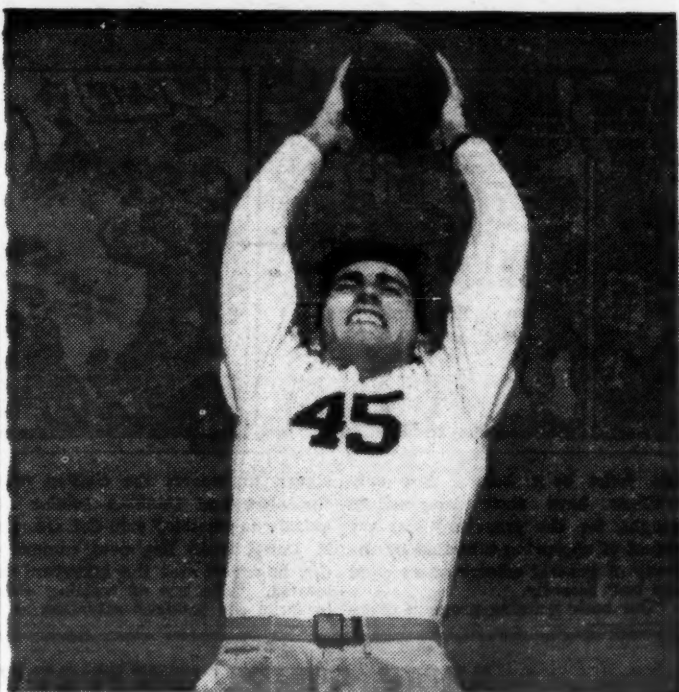
CAMP PICKETT, Va.—Running up a total of 185 points the Third Regiment wrestled the Commanding General's Cup away from the Fourth Regiment in the Summer Olympics of the Medical Replacement Training Center. The Second Regiment scored 123 points; the 4th, 113 points, and the 1st, 107 points.

FORT SHERIDAN, Ill.—The Fort Sheridan WACs have lost their No. 1 athlete, Lorraine "Corky" Worth, who is now attending OCS. She was second baseman and lead-off clubber for the softball team, captained the All-WAC team which beat the Camp Grant club, 11-5, and was the hot-shot dribbler of the basketball team. She sounds like a top-notch officer candidate.

CAMP LEE, Va.—A new boxing handbook, with a list of information and suggestions on the many art, has been prepared by the QMRTC Special Section and is being distributed among the QMRTC regiments. It is sponsored by the Virginia State Boxing and Wrestling Commission.

FORT MEADE, Md.—Blowing open what had been a close ball game the Boston Red Sox scored six runs in the fifth inning and went on from there to defeat the Washington Senators in an exhibition contest played on the main post athletic field.

SCOTT FIELD, Ill.—An officers' all-star aggregation went on a hit-sweep to hand the Headquarters "A" softball team its first loss in 32



INVITED to take part in the annual all-star game against the National Pro champion Washington Redskins August 25 at Dyche Stadium, Evanston, Ill., Pfc. Elmer F. Madar, Truax Field, Wis., is getting in a bit of practice. Madar starred at the University of Michigan as a back and end.

—AAF Photo

Wrong Price Ceiling!

Dodger Fans Convinced OPA Should Investigate

WASHINGTON — Brooklyn ball fans are demanding an OPA investigation—they think the Dodgers received the wrong price ceiling list.

The Dodgers started putting merchandise on the counter at cut-rate prices when they traded their leading pitcher, Bobo Newsom, for a couple of washed-up hurlers. One player over the limit they handed over Joe Medwick to the Giants for the \$7,500 waiver price and Tom Sunkel.

Medwick promptly provided the spark and helped the Giants win a couple of ball games. With the release of a pitcher who likes to win and an outfielder who hits a long ball the Dodgers have obviously conceded the Cardinals the pennant.

In the American League the New York Yankees pieced together an eight-game winning streak to hold a comfortable 4½ game lead over Washington. The Senators passed the Tigers in the standings and are now secure in second place.

The Browns climbed into the first division while the Chisox slipped one notch in the standings. The other teams held their places but fell further behind the leaders.

Brooklyn managed to gain a game

starts. The loss doesn't affect league standings and the "A" club is first in the won-lost column as well as the alphabet with 28 league wins and no losses.

KEARNS, Utah—Okay, fellas, here is a performance which will top your best. Cpl. Ray Sanders struck out 21 men in a seven-inning softball game. Two dropped third strikes allowed batters to reach first. He followed that game with a no-hit, no-run performance in which he led the attack with a homer. To make the story complete he has struck out 86 batters in five games. Wotta man!

BARKSDALE FIELD, La.—It took a shotgun to finish the job of landing the fish but Pfc. Virgil Lewis did it. With the help of three buddies Lewis caught and landed, after blasting its head with a shotgun, a six-foot, six-inch, 100-pound alligator garfish.

It's Getting Monotonous; Gunder Haegg Wins Again

WASHINGTON — Gunder Haegg has adopted the oft-quoted statement of another famed Swede, "I want to be alone," and thus far "Gunder the Wonder" has had no difficulty in being alone at the end of each race.

The flying Swede has left every distance man in the United States far behind as he raced distances from a mile to 5000 meters—and has also left track authorities short of adjectives.

The last time out Gunder didn't break any records. His time for the mile was 4:12.3 but he didn't need to hurry, Gil Dodds was 30 yards behind as the greatest long-distance foot racer loped across the finish line.

Dodds set an early pace, but the Swedish runner decided to move—well, ask Blue Swords—he had the same trouble with a horse named Count Fleet.

Haegg didn't attempt to bear down in the last 200 yards. Glancing frequently over his shoulder he raced home with tremendous seven-foot

strides waving at the crowd in San Francisco's Kezar Stadium.

The two runners meet again in Boston. Dodds is returning to a familiar track in the Harvard Stadium and hopes to press Haegg. Track enthusiasts hope he will, as they would like to see the visiting star pressed.

Haegg pointed out that there are four runners in Sweden who could beat him at any of his favorite distances. He accredited this great running ability in Sweden to the Army and the natural enthusiasm for the sport.

Every Swedish man has been in the Army for 18 months it was pointed out. During the entire 18-month training period every soldier must run at least five miles each day.

Incidentally, any ideas sport fans may have that Haegg and Dodds have become personal enemies can be forgotten. Haegg thinks Dodds is "tops" and Dodds is extremely fond of his racing companion. Swedish-American relationship isn't being hurt by the tour.

Baseball Is Popular in Great Britain

NEW YORK—Baseball is winning adherents in many towns and villages throughout Britain. Numerous famous football grounds have become "ball parks" for the summer.

Captain Stanley M. Bach, American officer in charge of sports in the European theatre of war, told a London News Chronicle reporter that there are already sixteen leagues in different parts of Britain, each with a membership of from six to eight teams.

"The leagues play regular schedules of matches," Captain Bach said, "and we get huge crowds of enthusiastic spectators for every game. Most of the players are semi-pros or good amateurs, and although, of course, the standard cannot compare with that in the big leagues at home, it is good enough to afford a real example of what baseball can be."

"In addition to the sixteen major leagues we have about twenty-five 'soft ball' leagues so that games may be played in more confined spaces—and there must be many hundreds of games played every day in parks and open spaces near American encampments."

"Each has its quota of spectators, and it is noticeable that the crowds are not only beginning to learn the finer points of the game, but are even beginning to use the phraseology which is peculiar to it. 'I should say that baseball is definitely 'catching on' in Britain, and will undoubtedly grow still more popular."

Mead Still Urging Army-Navy Game

WASHINGTON—Senator James M. Mead of New York has renewed his appeal to the Army to schedule an Army-Navy football game, one of the Nation's keenest athletic rivalries and greatest spectacles, which seems headed for wartime discard.

In a letter to Acting Secretary of War Robert P. Patterson, he urged again that the game be played in a big stadium on the Eastern seaboard to provide funds for Army-Navy relief or "some other excellent cause" and entertainment for service men and war workers.

The War Department reportedly opposes the game and is scheduled to decide soon whether it should be played. Mead told Patterson he hoped a thorough study "in the light of existing conditions" would be made before the Army's decision is reached.

Dodgers Beat White Sox In Birthday Game

COOPERSTOWN, N. Y.—In the annual game which commemorates the birth of baseball the Brooklyn Dodgers spotted the Chicago White Sox a five-run lead and then rallied to win by a 7-5 score.

Over five thousand citizens of the cradle of baseball saw the Chisox paste Fat Freddy Fitzsimmons for a 5-0 lead in the first inning with Joe Kuhel's homer accounting for two tallies.

But after that one inning outburst the bats of the American Leaguers were silenced as Fitz held them scoreless for two more innings and Rube Melton whitewashed them the final six.

Dolph Camilli started the rally with a homer in the second followed by three more Dodger runs. The Flatbush gang went ahead with two more runs in the fifth and added the security run in the eighth. Owen led the Dodger attack with a triple, double and single in four times up.

Yanks Tired After Scoring 31 Runs

MITCHEL FIELD, L. I.—The New York Yankees took a "busman's holiday" from league play and spent their time running themselves dizzy on the basepaths in an exhibition game at Mitchel Field.

At the end of 2 hours and 17 minutes the American Leaguers had collected 31 hits and had scored the same number of runs. The batting spree included six homers, six triples and five doubles for a total of 66 bases.

Fort Belvoir Beats Washington Senators

FORT BELVOIR, Va. — A gent, whose professional baseball experience has been confined to a tryout with Trenton, found the Senators a soft touch and gave but five scattered hits in pitching the post team to a 7-2 win.

While members of the American League second place team were swinging futilely at the soldier pitcher's offerings the Fort Belvoir nine was teeing off on Dewey Adkins and Ewald Pyle for 15 hits.

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'Dead' Teach Their Lessons to Rookies

CAMP CROWDER, Mo.—Dead men are teaching soldiers of the Central Signal Corps Replacement Training Center at this Army post.

They rest, "these dead who died that others might learn from their errors," in a graveyard established in a prominent section of camp.

A large signboard proclaims the theme, "Killed by their own stupidity," while eight rounded, grassy knolls nearby point the moral. At the head of each mound stands a cross, blazoning the warning of past error for all who pass to see and take to heart:

"Corporal N. C. Brain, He turned his back on a prisoner." . . . "Pri-

vate O. U. Cadaver, He said 'self-aid' was bologna." . . . Private D. G. Face, He thought his rifle was empty." . . . "Private I. M. Sunk, He forgot to test for gas." . . . "Private N. D. Mudd, He rushed instead of crawling." . . . "Private L. (NMI) Over, He was too tired to dig in." . . . "Private S. U. Dare, He read his map wrong." . . . "Private G. E. Blewup, He was careless about camouflage."

The graveyard, with its macabre air, is one of the first things an incoming trainee notices. Then, as training progresses, the slogans assume added meaning and the graveyard becomes a favorite background for snapshots designed to impress

the folks back home. Not only trainees have their imaginations caught, for the graveyard was the object of approving attention by the party of general officers who visited the post recently.

"Our basic training program is de-

signed to convert the civilian into the alert and thinking soldier as quickly as possible," said Col. George R. Daley, Sixth Regiment commander, in whose area the graveyard is located. "The use of training aids to focus the trainees' attention and

hasten his learning process is a valuable part of our instruction, and this particular one does the job painlessly and well. It is very likely that when the trainees reach the field of combat, these imaginary dead will prove not to have died in vain."



"GRAVEYARD" AT CROWDER . . . a good background for snapshots

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field equipment for inspection one layout contained an—electric razor.

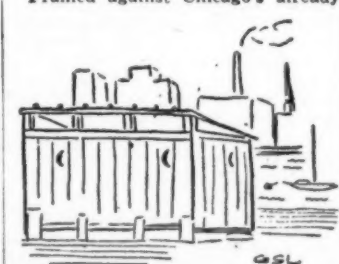
When the men at CAMP SWIFT, Tex., decided to find the prettiest girl in Texas and name her their queen they didn't overlook any bets. Organizations at the camp are submitting entries. Prizes are \$100, \$50 and \$25, plus a silver loving cup. In addition, the organization sponsoring the winner will get \$100. She will reign at a gigantic aquatic carnival in celebration of the opening of the camp's first swimming pool. . . . Picked as the favorite of the GI's at FORT DIX, N. J., was beautiful Jane Russell, who came up from behind in the last week of the contest. Jane promises to drop in on her fans one of these days. . . . Publicity is a bad thing for mascots, the ERTC WAAC detachment at FORT LEONARD WOOD, Mo., has decided. It lost two of them because of too much publicity. The pets' pictures appeared in the post newspaper, where they were seen by their owners, who decided they wanted them back.

A WAAC auxiliary approached a pfc. at FORT RILEY, Kans., and offered to trade her GI tie, the newer, rougher issue, for his old one, made of smooth material and sewn on the edges. She said hers tickled her when she tucked it in. . . . A trim young thing tapped a corporal on the shoulder at a cadet retreat ceremony at VALE UNIVERSITY AAFTC SCHOOL. She pointed to ex-film player Cpl. Broderick Crawford. "Pardon me, soldier," she said, "but isn't that soldier there a movie actor?" The first corporal made a grimace, protested loudly, "That guy? No, lady, he's no actor. He's a bum." The girl walked away, disillusioned, not knowing she'd been

talking to Cpl. Tony Martin.

When S/Sgt. L. J. Refice climbed into the cab of one of the new tractor-trailer buses at CAMP STONEMAN, Calif., he thought it felt familiar. No wonder—it was the same tractor he'd used as an auto carrier in the New England States before he entered the Army. Only difference was a coat of GI paint. . . . T/5 Maurice Ehrlich, CAMP ROBERTS, Calif., got \$10 more last pay day than he expected. It was a ten-spot which S/Sgt. John Kirkman, Headquarters clerk, found in Ehrlich's pay envelope. It had been there all month long and the T/5 hadn't even missed it.

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Impressive skyline is a new addition—a one-story frame "comfort station," erected by the Corps of Engineers for the use of students of the AAFTC's CHICAGO SCHOOLS between the rounds at the target range on Northerly Island. . . . Pvt. John Rosenberger of DEMI, CAMP HAAN, Calif., an amateur Scottish bagpiper whose tootin' ability has been proved at many camp entertainments, has appealed to the War Department and the President to let him form a pipe band in the Army.

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Bank Destroyers

WITH AN AMERICAN INVASION OF SICILY AT NISCEMI, Sicily—four American soldiers held off tanks with one anti-tank gun and other light equipment they had with them. The tanks ran over the soldiers, and the men were shoot-

Soldier Shows Pass in Review

See me a thousand soldiers who are trained, rather than ten thousand who had no entertainment.

—Gen. John J. Pershing.

In this column the Entertainment Section of the Special Service Division contributes items on soldier shows which were in some way interesting or outstanding. Perhaps in these items you may find a suggestion which will be helpful to you in producing your own.

CASTING

FORT KNOX, Ky.—Preview entertainment for interested spectators is procedure used in casting the "Cry Havoc." Put through preliminary places by director Sgt. Kantor, aspiring auxiliaries prove acting ability by putting impromptu pantomimes. Kantor presents the synopsis of an imaginary scene and WAAC's take it there, filling in lines and ac-

EXHIBIT

HAWAII—Collapsible sets help streamline the equipment for shipping by bomber in "Boy Meets Girl." Entertainment Section's latest attraction travels via airplane to remote island outposts. The plane can carry cast, scenery props for the entire production, and all gear excepting actors folds flat pieces.

BASE SEQUENCE

CAMP LIVINGSTON, La.—Doges invaded Dogpatchland to stage Sadie Hawkins' Day celebration. In Cartoonist Capp's traditional limes, ladies chased the lads in a race remarkable for speed. Lending an air of authenticity to the event was Cpl. Granville Scofield, strayer of hill billy hero, "Lil Abner," in pictures.

FILE

NORTH CAMP POLK, La.—Sentries for this month's maddest are unreservedly rest upon the relative brows of rookies from the 1st Armored Division. Christened "Sunder and Old Cornflakes," a happy all-soldier show was shared by new members of the 1st Battalion.

FREE'S A COMPANY

CAMP GRIFFISS, 8th Air Force headquarters, England—British film footlight favorites join with GI's put over amateur production, "Arts," first in a series of variety shows intended to tour installations throughout England. Yanks may be thanks to theatre-wise London folk who have spared no time trouble in supporting American entertainment effort.

Always pro talent will be invited to amateur shows when available. Among those scheduled to show are Lillie, Evelyn Laye, and Sean, Farrell, and Forsythe.

When the show starts traveling, the company will comprise three troupes: Sergeant Brest, Pvt. Delbert, and Pvt. Spencer Smith, but additional players will be recruited around out the company at posts where show appears; stock script will undergo doctoring to fit each cast.

PRODUCTION LINE

The reverse type of show, at no time did one non-musical number be followed by another. This technique reduces the effect variety and disturbs the underlying musical patterns.

Don't your variety show off to a good end. Don't save all the best pieces for very start. This technique puts your audience in a good humor and leaves them wanting more. They are then prepared to along with you to the finish.

CHINESE DOCTORS in the occupied areas are being arrested by the Japanese and sent to the South Seas to look after wounded Jap soldiers.

ing pistols, rifles, tommy guns, and throwing hand grenades at them at close range. Once there were eight tanks within 25 yards of the group. Finally, Capt. Bryce F. Denno managed to get a 37-mm gun on the hill and the tanks withdrew.

Novel Prices

ALASKA—At a benefit ball soldiers had an opportunity to vote for a "Princess of the Aleutian Isles," to be known as the "Ideal Ball and Chain Girl." The dance was held to raise funds for candy and cigarettes for soldiers on the Alaskan Chain. Admission was as follows: Generals, 20 cartons of cigarettes or 300 candy bars; field officers, 10 cartons or 150 bars; company or warrant officers, 5 cartons or 75 bars; civilian personnel, 3 cartons or 45 bars; enlisted men, 2 cartons or 30 bars; ladies, free.

Still Need Horses

TUNISIA—Nine horses borrowed from a friendly farmer by the 91st Cavalry Reconnaissance Squadron at Djebel Achkel helped to bring up ammunition and food over swamp land and resulted in the smashing of one of the Hermann Goering division units and the establishment of an important observation post at the town. Two hundred and twenty-one officers were captured as a result of the action.

Queer KPs

FORT KNOX, Ky.—Men of the 87th Armored Field Artillery Battalion, who were nearly three years in the Canal Zone, tell how the San Blas natives, hired as permanent KPs, take pride in their military connections. They deck themselves out with any odd bits of equipment they can find and tag along at the rear of the column on every march, evidently enjoying it.

Really Hot

THE PERSIAN GULF SERVICE COMMAND—American troops arming and provisioning the Red Army through the Iranian corridor have found this one of the hottest places in the world. The afternoon temperature easily tops 150. In the shade a thermometer hovers between 120 and 130. Ice is a precious thing and there are no soft drinks. Crude air-conditioning in the field hospitals is considered successful when it keeps the temperature below 100.

ARMY TIMES Trading Corner

Collectors who have registered with the Trading Corner during the past two weeks include S/Sgt. Paul A. Tolovi, 99th Signal Co., Camp Van Dorn, Miss., who is interested in trading shoulder insignia and has a few Canadian patches he will trade; Pvt. Joe Sikorski, Battery B, 182 Field Artillery Bn., Ft. Leonard Wood, Md.; WO. James C. Painter, Barnes General Hospital, Vancouver, Wash., mostly shoulder insignia but also any other insignia and Army matches.

Which reminds us that match covers are being collected that have Army unit insignia. Next week we will reprint some that have been furnished to ARMY TIMES by the Match Corporation of America, 3433 West 48th Place, Chicago, Ill. They have made many different designs for Army units, camps, clubs, and so forth. If you're interested, write for details to their insignia department. If you are interested in other kinds of match covers—and there are thousands of collectors in this field, you can get information about how to start a collection by writing to the Match Corporation at the address above.

Pvt. Arthur Brenner, Co. H, 7th Q. M. T. R., Camp Lee, Va., wants to get in touch with other stamp collectors; Dorothy Cook, 2448 Sturtevant, Detroit, Mich., collects both metal and embossed insignia; Pvt. Edward A. Ogle, Co. C, 410th Inf., Camp Claiborne, La., shoulder insignia; Pvt. John T. Whitbeck, Co. G, 411 Inf., Camp Claiborne, shoulder insignia and other items; Sgt. Oscar E. Jackson, Division Chaplain's Office, Hdqts. 102nd division, Camp Maxey, Tenn., shoulder insignia.

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65,058 Axis Prisoners Held in Camps in U. S.

WASHINGTON—Prisoners of war interned in the United States total 65,058, the War Department announced this week.

Of this total, 45,355 are Germans, 19,641 are Italians and 62 are Japanese. The Japanese are interned at Camp McCoy, Wis., and the others in 37 prisoner of war camps situated in 20 states.

Permanent camps in the United States at present can handle 139,164

of approximately 267,000 prisoners being held by the Allies in North Africa. Many of these prisoners will be removed to this country as quickly as possible. Plans are being made, therefore, for additional camps and for extension of existing ones.

Following is a list of existing prisoner of war camps, in addition to Camp McCoy:

German Camps

Altmeville, Ala.
Camp Breckenridge, Ky.
Camp Carson, Colo.
Camp Chaffee, Ark.
Concordia, Kans.
Crossville, Tenn.
Camp Forrest, Tenn.
Camp McCain, Miss.
Fort McClellan, Ala.
Mexico, Tex.
Opelika, Ala.
Camp Phillips, Kans.
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Camp Atterbury, Ind.
Camp Clark, Mo.
Como, Miss.
Florence, Ariz.
Hereford, Tex.
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(*Camps contain both German and Italian prisoners of war, segregated.)

THE TITLE "Commodore" came originally from Holland. In the Dutch wars of 1862 there were not enough admirals, and it was decided to create others without calling them by the same name. William III brought the name to England, where it was adopted.

Army to Release 4500 Miners To Take Critical Civil Jobs

WASHINGTON — The Army will soon release 4500 ex-miners to return to their jobs, Acting Secretary of War Robert P. Patterson announced this week.

In explaining the War Department's policy regarding their release, Mr. Patterson said that the action would be taken at the direction of the Office of War Mobilization and that the men will all be skilled in mining of copper, zinc and molybdenum.

No Waste

"The Army, the War Production Board and the War Manpower Commission have agreed that these men will be released to fill vacancies only in mines of highest productivity located in areas of critical labor shortage so that they will make the maximum contribution toward the increased production of nonferrous metals. Mines in which the yield of metal per man is relatively small will not be permitted to hire the soldiers who are to be released," Mr. Patterson continued.

"The success of our military supply programs for 1943 and 1944 is jeopardized by a growing shortage of these vital metals. The men who put aside their uniforms to go into the mines will be performing an indispensable service to their fellow soldiers by seeing to it that the flow of essential non-ferrous metals increases.

"There is no intention of releasing other troops in this manner. Our Army has been set up as a fighting force to destroy our enemies on the battlefield, not as a reservoir of manpower for civilian industries.

"The 4500 men who are to be released will go to their new jobs as civilians. The Army will exercise no control over their wages, working conditions or collective bargaining relationships, and they will not be accountable to the Army for their actions in or out of the mines.

Must Agree to Go

"The commanding general of the Ninth Service Command, with headquarters at Fort Douglas, Utah, located in the heart of the mining region, has been given full charge of the military phase of this program. The selection of men, which will start among troops stationed within the Ninth Service Command, will be limited to units now stationed west of the Mississippi river.

"No man will be released against

his will. Soldiers with mining experience or skills that seem adaptable to mine work will be told how badly the Army needs metal, and those who volunteer will be released to the Enlisted Reserve Corps after their qualifications have been established by the United States Employment Service and a job is assured them in one of the high-priority mines. These men will be assembled at Fort Douglas where interviews with selected employers will be arranged by the USES after which they will be furnished transportation to their place of future employment.

"Once in the Enlisted Reserve Corps, these men will be recalled to active duty if they fail to continue to

work in approved mines or if the manpower situation in the industry changes in such a way as to make their continued employment unnecessary to the national welfare.

New Recruits First

"To conserve military skills acquired through Army training, instructions have been issued to commanding officers to give priority of release to men who have been in the Army less than three months. This procedure is intended to insure maximum retention within the Army of men who have completed their basic training and who are being fitted to advanced units. No released men will be granted to men in organizations alerted for overseas duty."

WAACs Will Become WACs September 1

WASHINGTON — The Women's Army Auxiliary Corps will become the Women's Army Corps on Sept. 1, 1943, the War Department announced this week. On that date, members of the WAAC who reenlist in the WAC will be inducted into the Army of the United States at mass swearing-in ceremonies to be held at every point in this country and abroad where WAACs are stationed.

The change of status of the Corps, from an Auxiliary serving with the Army to a component of the Army, was authorized by Public Law No. 110, which gives to the WAC the right to Army ratings, grades, privileges, responsibilities and benefits.

Recruiting continues

Recruiting for the Women's Auxiliary Corps will continue under the procedures now in effect until Aug. 1, when it will cease and WAC recruiting will be started.

Conversion of the WAAC to the WAC is a direct result of the accomplishments of WAACs in 155 different kinds of Army jobs at more than 200 posts and installations here and abroad.

The 65,000 women who already have joined the WAAC are equivalent to more than four fighting divisions and have reduced by that number the men who eventually might

be inducted through Selective Service. Each additional woman who enrolls, either in the WAAC before Aug. 1, or in the WAC after Aug. 1, postpones the induction of a father or a man essential to industry. Women are counted as men in computing ultimate manpower requirements of the Army.

Tasks that WAACs already have assumed in the Army formerly held by thousands of enlisted men at desks, supply depots, communications boards and motor pools make apparent that 600,000 or equivalent of 40 divisions could be used.

A recent analysis shows that 60 per cent of the WAACs in the field are doing administrative and office jobs and 16 per cent have technical and professional jobs, including hospital work, weather, photography, drafting, linguistic, and personnel jobs.

As the corps grows, the percentage of its members engaged in office work will decrease, with a corresponding increase in the number employed in technical and professional jobs. When the corps reaches its present authorized strength of 150,000, it is estimated that 58 per cent will be employed in office work. However, among the 600,000 requests that have been made for WAACs, only 25 per cent are for office workers.

Colonel Hobby Tells WAACs How They Will Become WACs

WASHINGTON—Col. Oveta Hobby, WAC Commander, handed out this week definite information concerning the status of the women who transfer from the WAAC to the WAC.

On Sept. 1 the transfer from the WAAC to the WAC will take place. Women who transfer must take a new physical examination, unless they have taken such an examination since March 1. Waivers for minor physical defects may be granted by the War Department where the interest of the government or military service is not compromised, provided such defects will not inter-

fere with performance of duty.

Enlistment in the WAC will be for the period of the war plus six months and in the grade and with the same relative rank as was held in the WAAC.

Enlistment may be made on September 1, 1943, with the commanding officer of the post, camp, station, or other activity at which the enrolled woman is serving. A commanding officer, likewise, is authorized to discharge any enrolled woman who makes a written request for such. Transportation and sleeping accommodations, or an allowance in lieu of such, will be provided from the last duty post to place of enrollment.

Quiz Answers

(See Page 11)

1. C. The Douglas B-19 bomber was designed to carry 140,000 pounds when fully loaded. The German flying boat, DO-X, is said to carry 123,000 pounds.
2. B.
3. A.
4. C.
5. True.
6. B.
7. False. The German revolution broke out on November 3, while the Armistice was not signed until November 11th.
8. C. The War Department says that if flags are displayed in the channel the United States flag must be placed on the left side, as seen by the congregation, all other flags on the right side. But if the flags are placed outside the channel then the United States flag must be placed at the right side and all other flags at the left.
9. True. Also a much higher percentage of volunteers.
10. A. On April 31, 1918, 416 miles of the Western Front were occupied by the Allies, 6 miles of this by American forces. On November 11, 1918, the Americans held 83 miles and the Allies 392 miles.

FDR Vetoes Bill Lifting Misconduct Bar to Pensioners

WASHINGTON — The President this week killed by pocket veto a bill (H.R. 986) to define misconduct for compensation and pension purposes as limited to felonious conduct.

The purpose of the measure was to modify the existing misconduct bar to both service-connected and non-service connected pension and compensation benefits under Veterans regulations, so that it should include only disability or death resulting from the veteran's felonious misconduct.

In noting his disapproval, the President pointed out that the term "felonious" is not defined in the bill, and that in the majority of cases the misconduct resulting in disability would involve a breach of state rather than Federal law. Also he suggested that it is not possible to estimate accurately the effect of inserting the word "felonious" before the word "misconduct," although the ultimate effect would apparently depend on the fortuitous circumstances of location and commission.

Picture Puzzle Answers

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(See page 11.)

1. The men are bunched together and are making no efforts toward concealment.
2. The man on the left loading his rifle, not only is ignoring the squad leader, but is liable to shoot one of his buddies.
3. The man on the far right has his rifle barrel forced into the ground.
4. The men should not have stacked their arms. They should hang on to their weapons at all times.
5. The men do not have entrenching tools, mess kits, and other equipment of the field pack.
6. The man in the foreground has a division insignia on his shoulder, in violation of counter-intelligence discipline.

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